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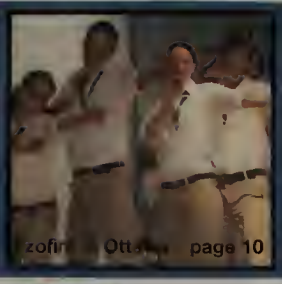

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Hillel graduate a Wimbledon under-18 champion

By Barry Fishman

By the end of the match, Brenda Kimmel Levine had a broken blood vessel in her pinkie finger from clapping so hard and developed a sore throat from cheering.

A small price to pay, she figured, to see her son, former Hillel Academy graduate Jesse Levine, along with partner Michael Shabaz, win the Wimbledon boy's double title.

Now living in Boca Raton, Florida, Levine fought back from a 3-0 deficit to win the first set 6-4 and capture the title with an easy 6-1 second set win.

Levine says he and his partner "felt nervous playing in their first grand slam" and it was "overwhelming at first to be on the court."

They quickly adjusted.

To play on the grass courts of Wimbledon, "you have to come to the net more, the volleys are quicker and the ball skids faster on grass," he says.

Levine enjoyed playing in front of the large crowd at Wimbledon and believes the key to success is "using your nervous energy for you instead of against."

He is now ranked number one in the world by the International Tennis Federation in doubles, boys aged 18 and under, and number 14 in singles.

Quite an accomplishment for the 17-year-old who fondly remembers Zaidie Morris Kimmel picking him up from Hillel Academy every day to take him to the Ottawa Athletic Club to play tennis.

"I had a great group of friends and enjoyed playing there," he says.

In 2000, the Levines moved to Florida so younger son Daniel, who suffers from colitis, could live in a warmer climate.

"That was our main goal for moving, so Daniel would feel better. Jesse's success in tennis is the icing on the cake," says Brenda.

Levine attends the world famous Nick Bollettieri Tennis Academy in Bradenton, Florida. The school's alumni include such players as Borg, Becker, Agassi, Sampras, Hingis, Pierce and the Williams sisters.

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Jesse Levine (right) and partner Michael Shabaz receive the 2005 Wimbledon cup for under-18 doubles.

Irving Abella, Sara and Zeev Vered and University of Ottawa's President Gilles Patry at the ceremony announcing a new Jewish Canadian Studies Program. Thanks to the Vereds' $1-million endowment, students will soon be able to learn about the contributions Jews have made to Canadian society. See editor's column, page 7. (Photo: University of Ottawa)

Welcome to Israel

Jerusalem Post editorial

On Wednesday, July 13, the largest number of North American immigrants ever to arrive in a single day landed at Ben-Gurion Airport. More than 500 new immigrants emerged from two full airplanes, one of them from Canada. It was an impressive and moving sight and, as Vice Prime Minister Shimon Peres told the newcomers, "the best news we could have" after the Tuesday terror attack in Netanya.

Better yet, Nefesh B'Nefesh co-founder Tony Gelbart said that this is just the beginning. This year alone, the group plans to bring a total of 3,000 new immigrants on eight chartered flights. This is almost as many as arrived during the program's three previous years combined. It remains to be seen if the group can meet the target of 10,000 immigrants that Prime Minister Ariel Sharon urged them to reach next year.

Also next year, a watershed will be crossed when Israel becomes the largest Jewish community in the world for the first time in 2000 years, according to a new report issued by the Jewish People Policy Planning Institute. Israel and American Jewry will each constitute about 40 percent of 13 million Jews in the world. By 2020, Israel is expected to be home to 46 per cent of an only slightly larger total Jewish population of 13.6 million.

This global prognosis is a somewhat bittersweet accomplishment for Israel. On the one hand, the chances that Jews living in Israel will marry other Jews, have more than two children and that those children will also marry Jews and raise Jewish children would seem to be considerably greater than for their Diaspora counterparts. Aliya, in this sense, would seem not just good for Israel, but good

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for Jewish continuity.

On the other hand, aliya would seem to accelerate the demographic decline of Diaspora Jewry, not just through direct reduction of Diaspora numbers but because those moving to Israel are presumably among its more Jewishly-identified members. A shrinking Diaspora will ultimately mean both reduced aliya and reduced international support for Israel.

The aliya dilemma only accentuates the challenge before Israel today: to both encourage aliya and help Diaspora Jewry rejuvenate itself. It was encouraging to see Sharon say as much to the Jewish Agency last month: "Parallel with aliya is a need to ensure the Jewish continuity of the Jewish communities in the Diaspora. This is the role of the Jewish communities overseas; however, in my opinion, it is also the responsibility of the State of Israel. We have mobilized for this important mission by choosing to lead and fund, with you, the birthright and Masa programs." Israel should be even more supportive of birthright and Masa, but these programs should not represent the limit of Israeli support for Jewish continuity in the Diaspora.

In any case, this wider picture should not distract from our most immediate and joyful task: welcoming our newest citizens. Sharon expressed the sentiments of the nation when he told them, "We always needed you - but now we need you more than ever."

Here at *The Jerusalem Post*, the many of us who are immigrants from English-speaking countries remember the day when we stepped off that plane (perhaps to a less elaborate welcome) and felt the excitement and trepidation that you must feel today.

While you may envy us for having the tribulations of settling-in behind us, we envy you for the freshness of an experience that, for better and worse, usually only happens once. For those of you who are starting, or about to start, families, you have given yourself the invigorating challenge of being (perhaps like your grandparents to another country) first-generation immigrants, while your children become native Israelis.

An astute observer of the aliya experience once noted that newcomers tend to be of two types: those who came out of Zionist fervor and those who "just liked the tomatoes." The latter – a partly inexplicable attraction to the land and people of this country – may be even more important for successful aliya than the former. We hope you are blessed with both forms of Zionism, so that one will sustain you when the other, for just a moment, might seem lacking.

Welcome to Israel.

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New olim from North America arrive at the Ben Gurion airport. (JP Photo: Ariel Jerozolimski)

Levine plans to turn pro

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A typical day involves warm-ups at 7:00 am, followed by practice and strength and cardio workouts until noon. From 12:00 to 4:00 pm, Levine hits the books, studying his on-line high school courses. Then it's back on the court for tennis matches.

His immediate goal is to win the singles championship at the United States Tennis Association's under-18 championships in Kalamazoo.

"If I win, I have a chance of getting a wild-card entry into the US Open," he says.

Levine would be playing against some of the world's top players, including many with whom he has practised at Bollettieri's.

Regardless of the outcome, he has been invited to play in both the singles and doubles under-18 group at the US Open.

His long-term plan is to make it in pro-tennis. "My dream is to play professional tennis," he says.

How he gets there is open to debate. His mother says despite all the media hype and requests from sports agencies to sign Jessie, "we want to slow it down a bit and keep our options open."

One of those options includes offers of full scholarships from Harvard, Columbia, Princeton, University of Florida and many other schools.

No matter what happens in the future, one thing is for sure. Levine's name will be on the wall of winners at Wimbledon and, because of his win, he is now an official club member who can play there whenever he likes.

The Levine family is hoping to visit family and friends in Ottawa before the US Open. And maybe, just for old-time's sake, Zaidie Morris will drive him over to the OAC.

The Levine family (from left to right) Daniel, Jesse, Brenda and Nathan enjoy the sights of London during Wimbledon week.

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March of the Living teaches valuable lesson

By Josh Finn

I recently had the privilege of travelling to Poland and Israel to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the end of the Holocaust.

On Yom HaShoah, Holocaust Memorial Day, 18,000 participants took part in the March of the Living.

There was an eerie feeling arriving by train at Auschwitz, seeing the tracks leading to the camp, walking through the entrance gate – "the gate of death" – and standing on the side of the train tracks, where selections were made and families were separated forever, where the elderly, children and others not fit for work were immediately sent to die in the gas chambers.

Walking past one of the burnt-out gas chamber and crematorium complexes, I was told ashes still lie all around the area. They are the ashes of entire families wiped out, young children, millions of them, torn from their parents and marched to their horrible death. As much as I tried *to understand, to imagine* being here 60 years ago, it was impossible to comprehend such huge numbers and such extreme hatred.

As we walked through the camp, names of victims droned through loudspeakers from a stage set up for the ceremony. Hour after hour, more names. It was never ending.

That afternoon, we attended a ceremony, listening to speakers including Ariel Sharon and Elie Wiesel.

I looked around me and saw a massive crowd, thousands of us from all over the world, standing proudly together as Jews in a place designed for one sole purpose: our destruction. We were there as proof – they didn't succeed.

As I looked out among the flags of the many countries represented in the March, one flag appeared over and over again, the blue and white of the flag of Israel.

As the ceremony concluded with the singing of Hatikvah, I was overcome with pride, a feeling I will aspire to carry with me forever. As I sang the words to the Israeli national anthem in the middle of Birkenau, I thought about how incredible it was, not only that so many of us were standing there, alive, as proud Jews, but that finally, after thousands of years, no matter where we live, we *share a common homeland of* Israel.

Throughout the next four days in Poland, we toured the old Jewish districts of Krakow and Warsaw, where Jewish life was so vibrant for centuries, until the 1930s when everything was destroyed, including, most tragically, 90 per cent of the Jewish population.

We toured Treblinka and Madjanek where we walked through a barrack full of discarded shoes, through the gas chamber, the crematorium and past a mass grave where the SS shot over 18,000 Jews as part of their "Harvest Festival" in November 1943.

"There was an eerie feeling arriving by train at Auschwitz, seeing the tracks leading to the camp, walking through the entrance gate – 'the gate of death.' "

As I visited these places where so many unthinkable atrocities occurred, three words repeated over and over in my mind. They offered me the best comfort and, rather than leaving Madjanek and Treblinka with a complete feeling of emptiness, filled me with incredible hope for the future. The three words? Am Yisrael Chai.

On the way to the airport on our last night in Poland, we stopped at the Umschagplatz, the place in the Warsaw ghetto where Jews gathered and were loaded onto cattle cars to go to their death in Treblinka.

As we lit candles, we were reminded *how amazing it* was that we were leaving this place, not to go to our death, as hundreds of thousands did, but to go to Israel. As we stood in a circle and sang Hatikvah, I realized how incredibly lucky I was.

We arrived in Israel to excited applause and the joyous singing of 'Am Yisrael Chai.'

My six days in Israel were filled with amazing moments, from spending an afternoon at the beautiful beach in Caesarea, to welcoming Shabbat at the Kotel. Most special for me was being in Jerusalem for Yom Ha'Atzmaut – Israel's Independence Day.

We attended a ceremony in Latrun, where we watched the sunset and heard the official proclamation ending Yom Hazikaron – Israel's Remembrance Day, marking the beginning of Yom Ha'Atzaut.

This touched off a massive party that lasted all night and continued the next day as thousands of March of the Living participants marched through Jerusalem with flags and balloons, with Israeli music blasting through speakers, ending up at the Kotel.

Coming home from the trip, I felt a greater appreciation for the importance of maintaining our Jewish heritage and traditions and ensuring the State of Israel remains a strong and vibrant homeland. While assimilation and losing touch with our Jewish heritage is an easy option, we must reject this trend and not let the Nazis win a posthumous victory. I reaffirmed the importance of carrying on Jewish traditions and standing proud as Jews wherever we live in the world.

I realized how lucky I am to live in such a tolerant and peaceful country as Canada.

We must strive to live in a world free of racism against any group of people and stand up immediately to reject any such actions we witness in our communities.

Whenever I heard 'never again' on the trip, I immediately thought of the 800,000 people murdered in the Rwandan genocide in 1994. I thought about the thousands being killed as I write this, in Darfur.

It is our responsibly, as Jews, the victims of the most horrific genocide in history, to stand up to ensure we do not stand by and let mass genocide happen again.

Never again should not be used as a catchphrase, nor should it only apply to Jews.

We must work together to say never again to any form of hatred against any group of people in this world.

Finally, I was also fortunate to have been joined on the trip by Max Eisen and Esther Rath, two Holocaust survivors. They inspired me with their strength and courage, and I realized how important a duty our generation has, as the last generation who can say we knew a Holocaust survivor, to ensure we never, ever forget.

Josh Finn is a journalist student at Carleton University. A more detailed description of his March of the Living experience is available on http://www.marchofthe living.org/ *Click on "2005 Participants' Reflections."*

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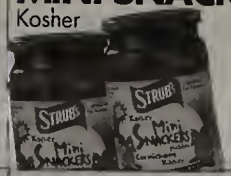
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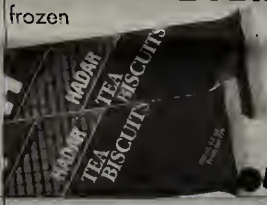
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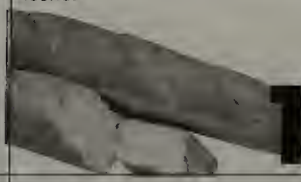
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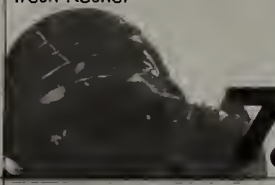
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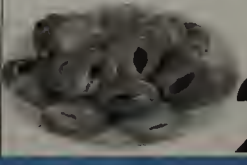
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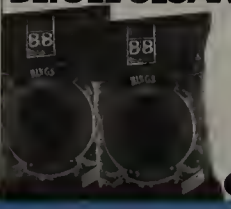
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Highlights from new OJCF president's AGM speech

Federation Report

Gregory Sanders OJCF

Editor's note: Federation Chair Ron Prehogan has arranged to share his column, on occasion, with the chairs or presidents of the community's major beneficiary agencies or committees so that they can provide some insight into their operations.

I have the honour of becoming the president of the Ottawa Jewish Community Foundation whose goal it is to maintain and ensure the future of our thriving Jewish community in Ottawa.

The Ottawa Jewish Community Endowment campaign gives me the opportunity to preside over a period where the size of the Foundation will grow exponentially. The efforts of the Taylor Families, who have always been strong proponents of the Foundation, along with Chuck Merovitz and Marty Davis are a major reason why the Foundation will be stronger than ever. I have seen first hand their commitment to this project and it makes me proud to be part of it.

As president, I am joining a group of people that had the foresight and initiative to recognize the importance of building a solid base for our community in first establishing the Foundation. These founders, along with all the past presidents, recognized the importance of both the words "Jewish" and "community" in our name.

They believe, as I do, that it is essential to strengthen and support the vitality of both our Jewish identity and our community.

Today, as a result of this hard work the Foundation has over 600 funds and over $27 million invested. The impact on our community cannot be overstated! For the year 2004, we distributed over $1.7 million dollars to various beneficiary agencies locally and abroad. With the conclusion of the endowment campaign, we will be more than double that size, which means that we should have double the income to distribute in future years. Our beneficiary agencies need these funds and much more to continue to provide the level of care and service that exists today in our community.

I believe that we have a special opportunity to change our community for the better, to leave a lasting legacy that reflects our most cherished values. By taking action now, and making the right choices, we can support the causes and organizations that we care about, today and in the future.

In order to seize that special opportunity, I want to focus my term on just a few initiatives.

1. The Foundation has been fortunate enough to be the custodians of almost $16 million in cash and pledges from the endowment campaign. The hard part to believe is that this represents a contribution from less than 20 local Jewish families. To build on our success, the Foundation will actively solicit the whole community to participate in this very worthwhile endeavour. We have only begun to scratch the surface of the potential of this community to ensure its future.

2. Over the last few years, we have strengthened our relationship with the newly formed Jewish Federation of Ottawa (formerly known as the Vaad Ha'Ir). There are many shared staff between the Foundation and Federation and it would be my fervent hope that a more integrated relationship be established beyond just the sharing of our staff.

3. A proactive marketing campaign will help build the Foundation both in terms of its asset base and its role in the community. Such an initiative will help us achieve our goals in growing the Foundation and to increase participation of the community in the operations of the Foundation.

Since time immemorial, Jews have donated to charity. I am sure that we have all been told varying reasons for why we perform this vital mitzvah. I like to believe that when we teach our children to be charitable, as our parents taught us, it is because of that instruction that our children give tzedakah, and so, to the parent belongs the credit for our children's charity. The Foundation is the tool to continue this mitzvah.

I hope that the Foundation has gained the trust of people in our community who are determined to make a significant impact in the Ottawa Jewish community and that we can all work together in spreading the Foundation message.

I leave you with these final thoughts:

- Whether you already have a fund at the Foundation, are thinking about establishing one or are just beginning the estate planning process, the Foundation's here to help you build a better community and help you accomplish your philanthropic goals.
- The Foundation wants to establish a good working relationship with each and every donor and advisor to make their charitable giving more effective and more meaningful to each of them.
- Finally, I leave you with these words from Winston Churchill … "We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."

Honouring parents: the most difficult mitzvah

From the pulpit

Rabbi Howard Finkelstein Beth Shalom West

The overwhelming majority of us have faced the dilemma of how to properly honour our parents especially elderly ones. It is not at all unusual for the rabbis of the Talmud to direct the definition of *kibud av va'em* as one that centres around the care one must give elderly or ill parents in terms of dressing, feeding and accompanying them from place to place. At the same time, these same rabbis make it quite clear that one can never really do enough to demonstrate proper respect, for the mitzvah is ongoing even after the demise of the beloved parent.

I write this article not in a theoretical sense, but as a son having to face this challenge in looking after an elderly mother, making decisions which emotionally seem unique to me, though I know intellectually there are millions of people out there facing similar situations. I laugh to myself, somewhat sardonically, when I realize that while I have taught the theoretical foundations of this mitzvah for over 30 years, I had no idea what I was talking about until I faced the challenges posed by *kibud av va'em* directly.

Guilt, (by the way, a wonderful Jewish concept), doubt, self-doubt, play a role in the mental as well as practical deliberations one must make in how to deal with elderly parents, and finally resolution and determination enter into the picture in order to enable one to deal with the situation at hand. In my case, as an only child, living far from my mother separated by a border and 500 miles, what options does she have? What options do I have?

Ironically, I found myself, the professional counsellor, seeking counsel from friends, congregants and experts in these matters. I am appreciative of the fact that the above were not judgmental, at least in conversation with me, but were of great help and support in enabling me to reach resolution.

By nature, I am a private person, but I feel it necessary to use this column not to simply comment on the world scene, or write some pithy dvar Torah, but to share with you some thoughts and hopefully to hear some insights from you. I feel inadequate as a son, although as a rabbi I'm supposed to have all the answers. What I do know is that there are many of you who are in the same or similar situation that I face right now, and perhaps it is time that worksbops be set up in our community to address these parental issues. Perhaps these sessions have taken place before in Ottawa, but I did not pay attention to them for they did not apply to me. But now they do, and I am sure to others as well.

I do not simply look to the Halachic sources that define *kibud av va'em*. Those I could find in the Talmud and the Shulchan Aruch. There is a dimension to this area that goes beyond simple citation of chapter and verse. It is human interaction, psychological and sociological expertise that manifest themselves in these workshops that go beyond denominational demarcations, for there is no borders that declare that only certain types of Jews are touched by the issues we have described in this article.

My congregational leader and I have discussed the possibility of holding these sessions in Beth Shalom West , but it should be recognized that how we deal with elderly parents is a universal dilemma.

At the same time, I thank Hashem for the opportunity to be faced with the dilemmas of *kibud av va'em*, for I recognize now more than ever the uniqueness of this mitzvah and why it parallels the commandment of the belief in Hashem in the tablets of the Ten Commandments Moshe brought down from Mount Sinai.

Our rabbis comment that the way we treat our parents is the way our children will treat us. This statement does not need further commentary.

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'Vered Jewish Canadian Studies Program' unique

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Barry Fishman

Why is the recently announced University of Ottawa's Jewish studies program different from all others Jewish studies program?

The answer, according to Professor Seymour Mayne of University of Ottawa's English department, is that, unlike other Jewish studies programs, this one will focus exclusively on the "Jews of Canada" and their contribution to Canadian society.

Jews have been in Canada since the beginning of the European settlement and have contributed mightily to the growth of the country, its cultural and history. We are not, as many Jews and non-Jews believe, newcomers to the country. Jewish Canadian history is colourful, exciting and eventful.

And now, thanks to a unique program at the University of Ottawa and the generosity of Sara and Zeev Vered, Canadians will soon be able to research, study and learn about the role Jews have played in the growth and success of our country.

The university will offer courses in both English and French on Jewish literature and culture; Canadian Yiddish literature and culture; Jewish Canadian community relations with other Canadians; social, economic and ethical contributions of Canadian Jews to Canada; and the major Eastern European migration of Jews to Canada in the early 20th century.

Once a full range of undergraduate courses is offered, students will be able to get a minor in Jewish Canadian Studies. And, says, University of Ottawa President Gilles Patry, it will be open to the community through continuing education initiatives.

"In fact, we are depending on the Ottawa community to share with us their aspirations for this program."

Institute of Canadian Studies Director Pierre Anctil, a non-Jew who speaks Yiddish and recently returned from a visit to Israel, says, "The planned program will be open to students from all interest groups and disciplines who wish to deepen their knowledge of the Jewish community and its contribution the development of Canada."

Even the name, "the Vered Jewish Canadian Studies Program," is significant.

During his keynote address at the event announcing the program, renowned York University scholar, historian and author Irving Abella noted, "Elsewhere in every other university program, including the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, the field is Canadian Jewish Studies; here it is called Jewish Canadian Studies. I think transforming the adjective and the noun is a significant step forward. For too long, unlike every other group in this country, for Jews, Canada was an adjective rather than a noun. Unlike the French Canadians, Italian Canadians, Chinese Canadians we were Canadian Jews. Not Jewish Canadians."

Mayne began working on the idea of a Jewish Canadian Studies program for the University of Ottawa in 1997 when he held the Jewish Community Council of Ottawa/Vaad Ha'Ir chair for student activities. In 2004, his idea took off when Pierre Anctil joined the university. Together, they worked on a proposal, got the OK and, thanks to A.J. Freiman, whom Mayne calls the "shadchan" (matchmaker), met with the Vereds.

Their reaction to the proposal was immediate. "In a very short time, our dream became a reality," says Mayne.

"We decided to go for it because it is an interdisciplinary program open to all students interested in literature, sociology and the history of Canadian Jews," says Sara Vered. "Democracies can only survive if people have knowledge. Bigotry starts with ignorance."

Vered believes the program will lead to a deeper understanding of the Jewish community in Canada.

Mayne agrees. "The courses will lead to a greater understanding of the contributions of Jews to Canada and give the students a different perspective on Jewish life. Hopefully, the stereotypes will fall by the way side."

One of the goals of the university's Institute of Canadian Studies is to better reflect the diversity of Canadian society. The Jewish Canadian Studies program may just lead the way. It will, hopefully, be a model for other ethnic groups to showcase what they have contributed to Canadian society. And the more we know about each other, the better we will be able to understand each other.

One more note. Sara Vered has informed me that a University of Ottawa symposium, open to the public, on the contributions Jews have made to Canadian society is in the planning stages. The *Bulletin* will have further details when they become available.

Live 8, Live Aid and the Camp Gesher experience

Alan Echenberg

Some of you sent your kids to Camp Gesher back in 1985. Some of you were campers that long-ago summer.

Twenty years on, here's a belated admission on behalf of those of us who were counsellors back then. We're in our 30s and 40s now – counsellors and campers alike – so I'm not sure how to repay this debt.

But somehow, we owe you a single day of camp.

Maybe we can plan a fun day of canoeing and arts-and-crafts.

Your lost camping day was July 13, 1985. Rolling Stone magazine called it "The Day the World Rocked." Maybe we counsellors were too distracted by all that rocking to give you the full camping experience you deserved.

The world – or parts thereof – rocked that day to the music and spectacle of Live Aid, the most ambitious and famous of the great charity concerts of the era.

In Gesher's corner of the world, counsellors spent most of that day shirking off responsibilities to listen to the live radio broadcast of the concerts out of London and Philadelphia (In those ancient days of Ontario deep-woods camping, we had no access to the TV broadcast). I'm sure similar shirking unfolded at other camps around the world.

As '80s teenagers, we came of age in the shadow of the Woodstock generation. So in the all-important domain of pop-culture, Live Aid felt like our turn.

Woodstock had so many legendary acts: Neil Young and the Who to name a couple. Live Aid had, well, Neil Young and the three surviving members of the Who. But it also had legends and soon-to-be legends such as Sting, U2, Madonna and Spandau Ballet (okay, not everyone turned out to be legendary).

Aside from all that rocking, Live Aid outdid Woodstock as a concept, we thought. It was outward- rather than inward-looking – originating in a spirit of compassion. The goal of its organizer, Bob Geldof, was to raise money for Ethiopian famine relief. Live Aid raised more than $100-million from viewers and listeners around the world.

Gesher was a "less jock, more talk" kind of camp – where a good hour-long discussion of, say, ethics, social responsibility and world poverty would always trump a good hour-long game of, say, volleyball. Live Aid was fodder for a discussion or two over the summer of '85. So maybe our diverted attention on July 13 could be chalked up to research.

No doubt, the current crop of Gesher counsellors was similarly distracted this month by Live 8, another Geldof tour de force. This time, concerts took place in 10 cities around the world, were broadcast over the Internet (now available in deep-woods Ontario), and featured even more legendary acts (including, it should be noted, Sting, U2, Madonna, and yes – Neil Young and the now-two surviving members of the Who).

The goal of this event was broader and more complex than Live Aid's. Instead of raising cash, organizers hoped to raise mass consciousness about the obscene blight of extreme poverty and AIDS in Africa.

About the tens of thousands who die daily around the world due to that poverty.

About the thousands in Africa alone who die every day of AIDS.

They hoped to pressure G8 leaders - meeting days later – to do some specific things about that poverty, including a boost of foreign aid to 0.7 per cent of each country's GDP, which could save hundreds of thousands of stricken lives.

Canada came under particular scrutiny. Maybe because 0.7 per cent is a Canadian idea – first proposed by Prime Minister Pearson around the time of Woodstock. Maybe because our government won't commit to the 0.7 per cent goal, as have some of its European counterparts. Or maybe because our current Prime Minister has made much of his camaraderie with U2's lead-singer Bono.

"Paul Martin should actually do what Canada promised to do 35 years ago," Geldof said. "This is a promise made by the rich to the poorest, by the strong to the weak, by the loud to the voiceless. That kind of promise should be utterly sacrosanct."

The African agenda was unexpectedly and tragically eclipsed at the G8 meeting by the London bombings. But leaders did manage an agreement on Africa, which doubled aid, but fell short of the broad package many were demanding – including that 0.7 per cent commitment.

Our Prime Minister said he wasn't going to make promises he couldn't keep. Canada remains committed to increasing aid to a bit less than half of Pearson's goal by 2010.

"Canada has lost its chance to lead," Bono said, adding that he planned "to kick [Paul Martin's] butt."

I'm sure they're talking about all this at Camp Gesher. Counsellors may tell campers about something we discussed many summers ago: Tikkun Olam –the obligation to "repair the world."

There's much fodder again this summer for discussing which parts of the olam need tikkun most.

Alan Echenberg is the Parliament Hill bureau chief for Studio 2, *TVOntario's nightly current affairs program.*

Saslove returns to Ottawa to make wine history

By Barry Fishman

You can blame it on the CBC. In 1951, Barry Saslove's father purchased a television.

At the time, the only station available was the CBC, and Saslove remembers watching countless documentaries on the Second World War and the Holocaust.

"I didn't realize how much those documentaries affected me," he says.

He now believes that was one of the main reasons why he went to Israel in 1967 to help out during the Six Day War.

He fell in love with the country, married an Israeli, got involved with computers in 1968 and, later, returned temporarily to Ottawa to get his electrical engineering degree.

It was while working in the computer industry in San Francisco in the late 80s that Saslove began seriously considering turning his hobby into a vocation. After visiting the many wineries in the San Francisco area and taking as many wine courses as he could find, he returned to Israel in 1991.

He realized he had "worked long enough in computers to go insane" and decided to grow organic grapes at Kaditah in the Upper Galilee and produce some extraordinary award-winning wines at Kibbutz Exal.

As well as making award-winning wine, Saslove is a wine educator. He has written two books on wine in Hebrew and has taught courses at universities and at his winery. To date, over 3,000 people have taken his classes.

Saslove's was the first winery in Israel to win an international award. The Aviv Red Wine 2002 was awarded the gold medal at the *Challenge International du Vin* in Bordeaux, France.

In 2005, Saslove's was named the winery of the year in Israel.

Recently, Barry Saslove made history again when his wine became the first Israeli wine to be placed on a special Israel section at LCBO Vintages stores across Ontario.

"I thank the LCBO from the bottom of my heart because it closes a circle for me. *I was born and raised in* Ottawa, and for me to come back and have my family name on the shelves of Ottawa [stores] is very emotional. It's dream come true.

Barry Saslove (right) offers his award-winning Israeli wine to Israeli Ambassador Alan Baker during a special wine-tasting at the Rideau Street LCBO Vintages.

"But I am alone and I don't want to be alone because there are so many people producing incredible wines. It is my goal to not only sell my wines here, but to have more Israeli wines brought into Canada," he said during a recent wine-tasting event held at the LCBO flagship store on Rideau Street.

There are now over 200 wineries in Israel and consumption has almost doubled in the last 13 years to seven litres per person per annum.

"That says something. Something is really happening," Saslove says when describing the phenomenal growth of the Israeli wine industry.

"I honestly believe that, given a little more experience, Israel can produce some of the best wines in the world, and that is our goal."

For years, Israeli wines sold in Ontario could be found only under the kosher section. Saslove is proud the LCBO has helped him make history. Since his wines are not kosher, "for the very first time Israel appears alongside Italy and all the other wine producers. The LCBO has opened the door for 200 other wineries like myself who are producing Israeli wines, not necessarily kosher ones," he says.

Israeli Ambassador Alan Baker agrees Israeli wine "shouldn't necessarily be seen as just kosher wine, or sacramental wine and placed on the kosher wine shelf. It should be put on the good wine shelf along with the French, Australian, Chilean and other good wines."

Israel's micro-climate allows the country to produce some very interesting wines that Israel is hoping to make available to wine lovers throughout Canada.

"I feel proud that Israel is now entering the Canadian wine market, and we are working very hard to bring a variety of wines to all the provinces in Canada," the ambassador says.

For Saslove, his visit to Ottawa is more than just selling wine. One of the highlights, he says, is the time he will spend visiting his 92-year-old aunt, Betty Ballon at Hillel Lodge.

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Pirkei Avot: the wisdom of our sages

There is more than just safety in numbers

By Rabbi Micah Shotkin

In Pirkey Avot (Chapter 3, Mishna 7), Rabbi Chalafta ben Dosa states that if 10 people sit together and engage in Torah study the divine presence rests among them. As it says in Psalms (82:1), "God stands in the assembly of God."

Rabbi Chalafta then continues to prove from other verses that if five, three, two, or even one lone individual, sits and studies Torah, God's presence comes to join them. The Talmud (Berachos 6a) asks why is it necessary to prove that God's presence joins 10 people studying Torah, if we already know that God joins the individual?

The Talmud answers that when 10 people gather to pray or study Torah, God has an additional involvement. He anticipates their arrival and gets there early to await them. The Talmud goes so far as to say that when a person who is accustomed to come does not show up, God questions their absence. He inquires into why they were not there, and evaluates the validity of their excuse.

I find it particularly inspirational to know that when we work together as a community we merit an additional divine assistance. The knowledge that God is waiting, and God cares, engenders the feeling that we should be involved.

It is not always easy to be part of a group. It is not always easy to find the time to be available for communal prayer or Torah study. Knowing that God himself takes the time to be there helps us overcome the obstacles and merit God's personal blessings.

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Tamir wins Excellence in Service Award and $10,000 from JFO

By Louise Rachlis

"Today, I stand before you to give thanks to Hashem and praise him," said Tamir Judaic Outreach participant Debbie Applebaum, 52, in her Bat Mitzvah Dvar Torah.

"It is a wonderful opportunity to be given the chance to have a Bat Mitzvah and to learn the teachings of the Torah ..."

Debbie Ferkin, mother of Tamir Judaic Outreach participant Vicky Ferkin, says her daughter "now has an awareness of all the holidays, kosher vs. non-kosher, enjoys and wants to go the Shul every Shabbat and she has more friends ..."

Lisa Bogdonov also has nothing but praise for Tamir. Her son Hartley was involved in Tamir's Keshet for Kids and attended SJCC camp.

"I don't think a student/younger person could have handled my son, and I couldn't have begun to articulate what we needed, but Tamir found it," she says.

"Keshet was the first time my son could participate without worry. Tamir has the expertise to make it work."

Tamir is a proud and caring team of participants, families, volunteers and professionals, says executive director Mark Palmer.

Tamir's Dick Zuker (left) and Mark Palmer (right) are presented with the Jewish Federation of Ottawa's Excellence in Service Award by Arnie Vered. (Photo: Peter Waiser)

"We are dedicated to assisting people with developmental disabilities to live with dignity and respect in a support Jewish environment through opportunities for personal growth and community involvement."

In recognition of Tamir's accomplishments, the organization received the first annual Excellence in Service Award from the Jewish Federation of Ottawa at their AGM June 8.

The award was in recognition of outstanding achievement based on forward-looking planning; and the agency's record of innovation and its impact on service in the community, its record of outreach and evaluation of effectiveness of past programs run by the organization, its record of fiscal management, including efforts at controlling costs, and its development of partnerships to increase efficiency and cut costs while consistently improving effectiveness.

Tamir is the sole recipient of this award for 2005-06, which includes $10,000.

"All those who have worked so hard to make Tamir the outstanding organization that it is today should be most proud of this recognition by the Jewish community of Ottawa," says Dick Zuker, incoming president of Tamir.

"Tamir is highly regarded within the Jewish community of Ottawa for its important work, but more so highly regarded by the general community of Ottawa in its field of care," says Arnie Vered of the Jewish Federation.

"This is something we all can be proud of. Tamir extends its reach wherever it can in order to help those who have a hard time helping themselves.

"It is so fitting that Tamir be selected the Jewish community of Ottawa's first recipient of the Award of Excellence. When it comes to best practices, Tamir leads the way."

Tamir supports people with developmental disabilities within the Jewish and larger community. It operates residential services such as group living, supported independent living, respite services and day programs including supported employment.

The Foundation is funded primarily by the Ontario Ministry of Community and Social Services, as well as the Jewish Federation of Ottawa.

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Tzofim performs to full house

By Kaila Rosenhek

"Where can you find the best gefilte fish?" the Tzofim sang. "In Israel!"

The Israeli Scouts Friendship Caravan, or Tzofim, arrived in Ottawa July 7, to perform their concert of song and dance to a full house at the Soloway Jewish Community Centre.

The Caravan, comprising 10 teenagers aged 16 to 17, aims to inspire and to offer a taste of the Israeli experience for Canadians.

"We are here to bring Israel to North America," says Ronnie Baharav, 24, one of two leaders accompanying the scouts on their three-month, 200-show North American tour.

Baharav says the Scouts provide an environment where young Israelis can communicate ideas, learn values, share information and become involved in the diverse Israeli communities.

She says the scouts are selected for the performing Caravan program based on a number of factors: their singing and dancing audition (a small component), strength in their studies, their personable qualities and, most importantly, their individual commitment to community involvement and overall interest in Israel and Israeli affairs.

For Baharav, the Caravan is very important because its young members can convey the Israeli experience to North Americans in a less political way than is generally portrayed on the news.

"What's really important I think, is that we're not like a paid ambassador of Israel," Baharav says. "These kids bring their own Israel to share with both Jewish and non-Jewish communities."

Most importantly, Baharav explains, are the lifelong ties the Israeli Tzofim create along their travels. While visiting Ottawa, the Tzofim stayed with host families.

"What I really love about this is that, when we meet people, we're making contacts that are long-lasting and we stay in touch with each other, whether by e-mail, or by phone," Baharav says.

"This way, when they come to Israel, they too will have a place to stay."

Tzofim, the Israeli Scouts Friendship Caravan, brings Israel to North America with song and dance. (OJB photo: Kaila Rosenhek)

Shul planned for new Barrhaven development

Rabbi Menachem Blum, executive director and spiritual leader of Ottawa Torah Center Chabad (OTC), has announced that a piece of land in Barrhaven is being secured for the building of a synagogue and a centre for Jewish life in the greater Nepean and Kanata area.

A new development will be erected between Cedarview and Strandherd, right off the Fallowfield exit of the 416, and the parcel of land for OTC is right in the middle of it.

"Traditionally Jews have always moved and settled around the shul," Rabbi Blum says. "This is a wonderful opportunity for Jewish families to buy affordable, luxurious homes and take part in the fast growing Jewish community in Ottawa."

OTC is currently located at 3023 Cedarview Road in Barrhaven. The new shul is planned for a site near the 416 Fallowfield exit.

According to the 2001 census analysis of the Jewish community in Ottawa, Nepean South has the highest density of Jewish families, comprising 4.3 per cent of its total population. In addition, it has the largest number of Jewish children, teens and young adults.

More specifically, the Barrhaven area has grown by 50 per cent since 1991 and Kanata has grown by 96 per cent.

Nine years ago, Rabbi Blum founded OTC in Barhaven with the goal to create a centre that would service the Jewish families living in Nepean and Kanata and reach out to unaffiliated Jewish families.

His first High Holiday services at the Walter Baker Sports Centre attracted 35 people. Following the High Holidays, he received numerous requests to begin meeting during the year; so he started a monthly Shabbat service in the basement of his townhouse.

Eventually, Blum made his service weekly.

"My home just could not contain the people anymore, so we found a storefront at 3023 Cedarview. This past year for the high holidays we had 250 people. In my wildest dreams I could not imagine this," he explained.

Although based in Barrhaven, OTC and its activities have involved families in the greater Nepean and Kanata area and have extended city-wide.

"The timeless efforts of Rabbi Blum to bring Yiddishkeit to Barrhaven have created an opportunity for all of us in the West end of the city to find a new home. The construction of a new shul will bring us to the next step. We are all very excited," says Stephen Horwitz, a local lawyer who has been involved with the OTC for about five years.

The homes are being built by Phoenix Homes and lots to be located in proximity to the synagogue are being sold now.

For more information contact Beata Kuchciak (823-9266) or check the Phoenix website (*www.phoenixhomes.ca*).

For more information about OTC, contact Rabbi Blum (823-0866 or *www.OttawaTorahCenter.com*).

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Unique Shavuos experience at the Kollel of Ottawa

For the past two years, the Ottawa Jewish Community has received a well-deserved shot-in-the-arm.

This newcomer is the Kollel of Ottawa, a centre for Jewish Education, which after two years in the city, has proven to be sometime which Ottawa needed to put itself on the map in the Jewish Education World.

This past Shavuos was an experience which will remain in my mind forever.

It began on the night of June 12 with an all-night learning session-a number of lectures based on the important holiday, which commemorates the giving of the Torah about 3,300 years ago.

The lectures, known as *Shiurim*, were given by four young rabbis of the 12-member Kollel.

The night began with a *Shiur* given by the co-rosh (principal)of Kollel, Rabbi Binyomin Holland, on the topic of "Reserving a seat-a kindness or a crime."

This lecture, which lasted about 45 minutes, was so inspiring, that no matter how sleepy I became, I could not leave, even though it was 1:20 am when it finished.

Rabbi Holland's message was followed by Rabbi Shmulie Zilber Shiur on "The Greatness of Torah Study;" Rabbi Yehonasan Hershberg "Ancient Grains: Ancient Custom or Halachik Imperitive;" and a most comprehensive interpretation of "Learning Megillas (Book) Rus (Ruth)" by Rabbi Yisroel Meir Butrimovitz.

Before I knew it, it was 4:30 am, time for Shacharis (morning prayers). Time had no meaning for me. It was as though I had been at Mount Sinai myself and experienced the giving of the Torah.

This feeling i had can be summed up in one word: Exhilarating. As an observant Jew, my yiddishkite took a giant step forward.

The Ottawa Kollel's purpose is to embrace, engage and inspire every Jew, regardless of his education, observance or affiliation with the warmth of advanced Torah study.

Dovid Shoihet

Reiki training at SJCC

Tana Saler, a reiki teaching master, will offer reiki training workshops at the SJCC this fall. Her purpose is to teach and certify participants in the holistic healing methods of reiki. Tana received her initial reiki training in Israel, and has taught a popular reiki workshop to the Israeli community at the SJCC.

Reiki is a holistic healing method, which is based on the Asian philosophy that there is a life force, or energy flowing through all living things. When this life force is properly channelled, people are healthy and fulfilled. Illnesses can be caused by blockages and imbalances in the flow of energy.

Saler's reiki workshop will teach how to channel this life force in order to remove blockages, thereby treating illnesses and improving quality of life.

Participants will learn to use reiki to treat themselves and others. The reiki workshops are user friendly and take place in a calm, comfortable atmosphere.

There are four workshops taking place at SJCC on September 6, 8, 13 and 15 from 6:00 to 10:00 pm. For more information, or to sign up for this workshop, contact Avivit Erlichman (798-9818, ext. 276).

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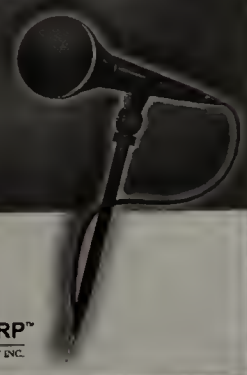

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Young Jewish leaders meet in Israel

By Laurie Sourani

I recently had the opportunity to attend the 12th Young Jewish Leadership Diplomatic Seminar in Jerusalem, organized by the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

This unique seminar brings together young Jewish people from all over the world to explore different facets of Israeli life, through a combination of lectures, discussions and touring.

The seminar is rich with different perspectives and is a wonderful way to learn first hand about the Jewish communities of other countries.

Our seminar included 32 participants from 20 countries. They came from the U.S., Central and South America, Europe, South Africa, India, Turkey and Australia.

Geared towards university graduates up to age 35, each seminar participant brought the viewpoint of a young professional active in his/her Jewish community desiring to take a deeper look into daily life in Israel.

Each day was an exciting opportunity to explore various topics, such as the peace process, national security, the role of the media, the state of Israel's economy, and Israel-Diaspora relations.

Laurie Sourani

The touring component of the seminar was a chance to connect with the country and learn about its history, political system and culture.

We toured within Jerusalem, Tel Aviv and Jaffa, and visited the Knesset, part of the security fence, the Weizmann Institute (a centre for innovative scientific research), as well as the newly renovated Yad Vashem Museum.

In a short time, the seminar left me with a greater understanding of the different facets of Israeli life. It was a chance as a person living outside Israel to experience this dynamic country not simply as a tourist, but through the eyes of Israelis themselves, and, in the process, gain an appreciation for its uniqueness and everyday struggles.

Lourie Souroni is a lawyer currently working in the Regulotory Policy Department at the Canadian Nurses Associotion in Ottawa.

The Best of Hebrew U returns to Ottawa

By Shelli Kimmel

The Best of Hebrew U, a program of Canadian Friends of Hebrew University is a unique opportunity for members of the Ottawa community to spend an evening in a university environment, attending lectures on a wide range of subjects without having to worry about writing papers, exams or assignments.

On September 22, the topics offered at Best of Hebrew U will be from a variety of disciplines, presented by an impressive group of professors from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

Professor Yuval Elbashan, from the Hebrew University's faculty of law, is the founder and director of the centre for clinical legal education for human rights and social responsibility. The centre, which is dedicated to providing legal aid to underprivileged individuals and groups in Israel, emphasizes social responsibility as a fundamental part of training students for the legal profession.

Dr. Noam Shoval, from the department of geography and archaeology at the Hebrew University, is a lecturer in urban geography. Among his many areas of expertise are the security fence, Jerusalem and tourism. The security fence will definitely be one of the topics Dr. Shoval will address during the event.

Also presenting at the Best of Hebrew U will be Dr. Rachel Elior, director of the institute of Jewish studies in the faculty of humanities. Dr. Elior's area of expertise includes Jewish thought and mysticism and women through Jewish history.

Completing the lineup will be Dr. Yaacov Bar-Siman-Tov, director of the Swiss centre for conflict research, management and resolution and a professor of international relations for the study of peace and regional cooperation at the Hebrew University. Given the anticipated events taking place in Israel during the summer of 2005, Dr. Bar-Siman-Tov's address on the disengagement process and the future for peace in the region will be a timely one.

For information on reserving a space, contact Shelli Kimmel, director of the Ottawa Chapter of CFHU (829-3150 or *skimmel@cfhu.org*). You will then be contacted to finalize your enrolment once the registration forms are ready. Pre-registration for the evening is necessary.

The event will take place on Thursday, September 22 from 5:30 to 9:30 pm at Agudath Israel Congregation, 1400 Coldrey Avenue.

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From left to right: Sara Vered; Zeev Vered; Gilles G. Patry, President, University of Ottawa

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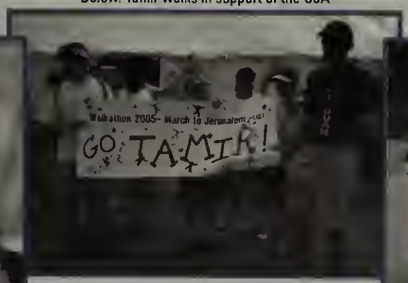
Below: New participant Rachel Verreault and mom

Below: Tamir walks in support of the UJA



Below: Jay Greenblatt runs the bases

Above: Elizabeth Bell and staff at Keshet for Kids

Below: Hartley Melamed, enjoying arts and crafts at Keshet for Kids

Above: Vicky Ferkin at her YMCA Day Care volunteer placement

Below: Pam Dover at Tamir Day Program

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Hillel Academy Grade 6 students make a donation to Send a Kid to Camp

By Barbara Siegel

Recently, on behalf of the board and staff of the Soloway Jewish Community Centre, I had the honour of presenting a plaque to the Grade 6 students of Hillel Academy for their generous contribution to the SJCC Send a Kid to Camp Fund.

On behalf of their classmates, Jaime Rimer, Dana Pearl, Jordan Cantor and Ariel Kagedan proudly presented a cheque representing their efforts. This is the third year that Hillel's Grade 6 students have raised money by collecting and selling used items in a *shuk* and donating the proceeds to the Send a Kid to Camp program. Kids raising money selling to kids so that kids can go to camp. A mitzvah can't get any better than that!

"It's important to help kids who maybe don't have as much as we do" said Zack Kershman.

The Send a Kid to Camp program ensures that every child can have the opportunity to experience the fun, lasting friendships, ruach, sportsmanship and team spirit that are an integral part of the many and varied SJCC summer camp programs.

Ophira Calof asked me how people get to know about the Send a Kid to Camp campaign. Well, Ophira, today you and your classmates have helped by showing the importance of helping others.

For more information or to make a donation to the Send a Kid to Camp program, call Anna Silverman (798-9818, ext. 225) or Barbara Siegel (521-9943).

Hillel Academy Grade 6 students receive a plaque in honour of their donation to Send a Kid to Camp from Barbara Siegel (front row, holding cheque).

Math-by-mail takes root in Canada

Do you know what a cryptarithm is? Are you well versed in the Pigeonhole Principle?

If your answer is no, then chances are you are not part of the Math-By-Mail program offered through the Weizmann Institute of Science in Rehovot, Israel.

Launched in 1982 by the Young@Science branch of the Weizmann Institute, the Math-By-Mail initiative has proven to be a major success amongst Israeli school children.

The program was introduced to Canada last year (a first outside Israel) and now students in Grades 3 through 10 at several schools in Ottawa and Toronto are learning about these mathematical principals as well as many others by way of this innovative and novel program. Students in Montreal will start participating in the program next year.

Co-ordinated by Weizmann Professor Dr. Yossi Elran and his wife Michal, Math-By-Mail may be interpreted as a quasi-correspondence math and science course dedicated to enriching the knowledge already taught at local schools.

Dr. Yossi Elran at Hillel Academy

The year-long program consists of five separate booklets each containing fun and challenging lessons and questions that cover myriad concepts.

Intended for students who have shown both an interest and superior skill in mathematics, Math-By-Mail encourages the child to expand his or her scientific mind through challenging logic games, puzzles, and even a mathematical treasure hunt. Students are also privy to an Internet math club developed specifically for the program.

Moreover, Dr. Elran also ensures that he maintains a personal relationship with his pupils by commenting on every single booklet that comes his way. This hands-on approach is perhaps the most exciting aspect of the Math-By-Mail program.

Recently, students at Hillel Academy were privileged to meet with Dr. Elran during his visit to Ottawa. They were treated to brain-tantalizing demonstrations that would truly make the average person's mind dance with mathematical intrigue.

Following the demonstrations, Dr. Elran presented each Math-By-Mail student with a Weizmann Institute bracelet symbolizing the bond formed between teacher and pupil.

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Talented Rachel Aptowitzer to perform with Sinfonia Ottawa

By Lois Siegel
and Marilyn
Goodman-Galbraith

Some young people are just so talented. Rachel Aptowitzer is no exception. At 16, she is already attracting important attention as a cellist.

Music is part of her family heritage. Her father, Rabbi Yitzhak Aptowitzer, is a trained cantor. Her mother, Dr. Iris Aptowitzer, a pediatric cardiologist, is an accomplished cellist. She is also the granddaughter of Ottawa's own Cantor David and Gitta Aptowitzer. Her Israeli grandfather is an accomplished violinist.

Born in Jerusalem, Aptowitzer started her cello studies at the age of seven at the Ron Shulamit Conservatory, Jerusalem. She has studied at the New England Conservatory of Music in Boston and at the Aspen Music Festival and school under Yehuda Hanani.

Last year, Aptowitzer attended The Banff Music Centre's master class program studying with Aldo Parisot, Professor Shauna Rolston, as well as having a lesson with noted composer/bassist Edgar Meyer.

Her studies have included master classes of the Lydian Quartet's workshop in chamber music, Brandeis University, private lessons with Ina Esther Yoost, principal cellist of the Jerusalem Symphony, and Jamie Parker of Toronto's Gryphon Trio, as well as the National Arts Centre young artist's program under Maestro Pinchas Zukerman and Patty Kopec.

She has already played as a soloist with the Beth Jacob-Ron Shulamit all women's orchestra at Jerusalem's Binyanei Hauma (Teddy Kollek Concert Hall) performing Paganini's "Variation on the A String" (first movement).

Sixteen-year-old cellist Rachel Aptowitzer
(Photo: Lois Segal)

Aptowitzer has been principal cellist for the Repertory Orchestra, Greater Boston Youth Symphony Orchestra. She has attended master classes over the years at Mishkanot Shannanim (The Jerusalem Music Centre), including Isaac Stern's Chamber Music Encounters, Miriam Fried, and many solo and chamber music performances, as well as a master class with Mstislav Rostropovitch, Rubin, Tel-Aviv.

She has played for cellists Bernard Greenhouse, Beaux Arts Trio, and Steven Isserlis and enjoys working with her accompanists Evelyn Greenberg and Jean Desmarais. Currently, she is studying cello with Denis Brott in Montreal and theory with Dr. Maya Badian, Royal Conservatory of Music.

Aptowitzer will perform the Boccherini Concerto in G Major for Violoncello G480 with Sinfonia Ottawa at the air conditioned Glebe Community Centre (Third and Lyon), Tuesday, August 30, 2000, at 8:00 pm.

The program also includes works by Corelli, Arensky, Mercure, Leo Weiner and Gabor Finta (Ottawa resident).

Following the concert, there will be a wine reception provided by the Hungarian Embassy.

Tickets for the August 30 concert are $17 (adults), $12 (seniors/students) at the door. If purchased before August 30, tickets are $15 and $10 and are available at The Leading Note on Elgin Street, Compact Music in the Glebe, or by phoning 827-1703 or e-mailing *summerorch@sympatico.ca*.

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Sarah and Ken Nuddleman Sincere thanks for being a part of our family by Sarah and Amie Swedler.

Irving Soloway Wishing you a very happy birthday by Sarah and Amie Swedler.

Naomi Levitz Best wishes on your graduation and on receiving your Master's Degree by Auntie Bev, Uncle David, Jory and Mark Gluzman.

Ingrid and Gerry Levitz Mazal Tov on Stephanie's engagement by Murray Citron; Beverly, David, Jory and Mark Gluzman; and Inez Zelikovitz.

Paula and Bobbie Smith Happy 35th anniversary and good luck on Bobbie's retirement by Elaine and George Citrome; happy anniversary by Arlene and Norman Glube; and Barbara, Alexandra and Rebecca Fine.

Corey Sauve Yasher Koach to our grandson Corey for receiving the Noah Cantor Athletic Award, with much love and pride, Gramy Debi and Zaidi David Shore.

Chelsea Sauve Mazal Tov to our granddaughter Chelsea on your Sweet 16, with much love, Grammy Debi and Zaidi David Shore.

Barbara Farber Congratulations on being awarded the Gilbert Greenberg Distinguished Service Award by Lynn and Brian Keller.

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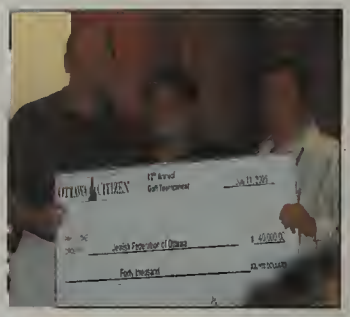

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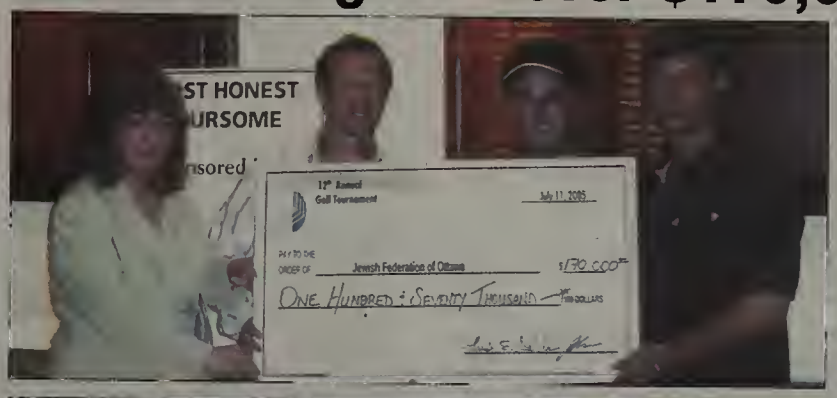

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Happy Birthday Fanny Greenberg

Fanny Greenberg, Long Island's oldest resident, recently celebrated her 110th birthday.

According to the Gerontology Research Group, there are 62 validated supercentenarians in the world: 57 females and *five males*.

Born in Ottawa on May 24, 1895, Fannie Adler left school after Grade 8 to work in her father's general store.

She later worked in a fancy boutique before marrying New Yorker Aaron Greenberg on May 3, 1923 and settling in New York.

Her great niece Rose Konick and great nephew Izzi Greenberg live in Ottawa.

Proceeds from book support Ottawa Hospital

By Berry Fishman

If you told **Lousie Rachlis** that you were too old or too out of shape to take up running swimming or biking, in all likelihood her response would be "nonsense." The self-professed non-athlete, who took up running at the tender age of 50, says "If I can do it, anyone can."

Rachlis, who now runs marathons and learned to swim so she could take part in triathlons, has written a book to help you get started on your quest to get more out of life.

The book, *20 Steps, The first 20 minutes are the hardest,* is a compilation of articles she has written for the *Ottawa Citizen* and *Runners Raam Magazines* that will help motivate you to begin and continue enjoying your athletic pursuits.

Rachlis, the advertising features editor at the *Ottawa Citizen*, says all proceeds from the sale of the book will be donated to the Ottawa Hospital as part of the fundraising by the *Ottawa Citizen's* team for the 2005 Ottawa Race Weekend.

The book can be purchased at the *Ottawa Citizen* front counter, 1101 Baxter Road; by mail from *lrachlis@thecitizen.canwest.cam*; Running Room, 901 Bank Street location only; and Cycle Logik, 358 Richmond Road. Price is $9.95 plus GST ($10.95).

Community award winners

Paul Bender, Marty Davis and Helene Abrams recently received awards from Ottawa West MP Marlene Catteral for their volunteer work.

The ceremony, Celebration of Volunteers in this year of the veterans included a flag procession by members of the Royal Canadian Legion, Bells Corners; and greetings from Mayor Bob Chiarelli, Ontario Minister of Consumer and Business Services Jim Watson and Tribute Minister of Veteran Affairs Albina Guarnieri.

Bender received his award for his volunteer work with the Ottawa Police Services, Abrams for her work with Torah Academy and Davis for his work with Yitzhak Rabin High School.

Rabbi Yisoreth Bernath joins staff of local yeshiva

The Ottawa Jewish community welcomes Rabbi Yisroel Bernath and his wife, Sara. Bernath has taken a position with Yeshivas Ateres Menachem. He will serve as its director of development and as principal of the general studies department, as well as being assistant rabbi of the Ottawa Torah Centre.

A native of Chicago, Bernath moved here from Sydney, Australia where he had lectured at the University of New South Wales on Jewish education and philosophy.

He is the author of *Jashua's Prayer*, *The Latecamer's Prayer* and *Through a Child's Eye*.

He is the editor of *Climbing Jacab's Ladder*, *The Halacaust Remembered* and *The Luminary*, a weekly publication of Jewish thought, humour and inspiration published by the yeshiva.

The rabbi's articles have appeared in periodicals all over the world. He has worked as a teacher, counsellor and consultant in Jewish education for over 10 years, lecturing in 37 states, Canada, Israel, Australia and New Zealand, and serving as a scholar-in-residence in communities all over the world.

Rabbi Yisoreth Bernath

Bernath has been involved in creating quality entertainment through Shazak, Inc., Jewish Historical Documentaries and Real-time Jewish Media.

Ruth Aeron (front row second from left next to Ambassador Alen Beker with members of Beith Halochem in front of the Isreeli embessador's residence.

Disabled war veterans visit Ottawa

Since 1986 Ruth Aaron has been hosting Israeli disebled war veterans in Ottawa as part of the Beit Halochem program in Canada. During their recent visit, the veterans enjoyed a swim at the Soloway JCC, lunch with members of the Ottawa Post, Jewish War Veterans of Canada, a private tour of the Parliament buildings, a reception at the residence of the Israeli Ambassador to Canada Alan Baker and wife Dalia Baker, and a visit to the Museum of Civilization and the Byward market.

First Passover Seder at Hillel Lodge, 1965.

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It's a girl!

Jodi and Doug Nathanson are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter, Dylan Sarah Yaella on June 13, 2005. Proud grandparents are Debbie and Lloyd Rossman and Toby and Tedd Nathanson, and great-grandmothers Faye English and Rose Nathanson.

Engaged!

Betty and Irwin Itzkovitch and Ellie and Max Greenberg are thrilled to announce the engagement of their children Melanie Stacey and Elliot Samuel. The wedding will take place September 2006.

Engaged!

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Women and men do communicate – sort of

Humour me, please

Rubin Friedman

I want to share with you one of my most important discoveries. Interspecies communication, on a limited basis, is possible.

This is an issue I have been working on for years. Through careful and sometimes painful experimentation, I now know beyond doubt that men and women can sometimes break through the fog of war between the sexes and understand each other.

You may think this is far fetched, but I assure you it is true. Yesterday, for instance, I took out the garbage before being asked.

This is significant. After many years, I as a male have come to understand that not only is taking out the garbage a job I have to do because someone assigned it to me – it is actually something I want to do because I care about taking out the garbage. It's almost like a revelation.

Yes, yes, I know that there are some males around who seem to have understood this early. But my male intuition tells me that this is something most of us only learn later in life, and then for many of us, it is a perception that occurs to us only intermittently, like a flickering light bulb when the connection is still loose.

Some other lessons I am working on: My hands do not fall off when I wash up and put away the dishes and the pots. And you know, the kitchen actually seems cleaner. Do you think there is a connection?

Dusting and sweeping I don't quite get yet. You get rid of the dirt and it comes right back. Seems like a waste. I think computer games are a much more useful way to spend my time. They expand my mind. The occasional basketball game is also important. The plays and the passing are so intricate. Very intellectually stimulating.

And what is with shopping? Why try on so many shoes? Or clothes? I see something I like – I buy it. It's not as if women haggle over the price. They just buy things in one place and then give it back – because they find something they like better next door. Me, I avoid this conundrum by not looking next door. Why cause yourself a hassle? How much time do you have in a day anyway?

My wife explains that she is just trying to find the right clothes with the right fit. Why is this so hard and painful? I stopped helping my wife shop when I discovered I would be happy with the first dress she tried on, yet she never just bought it.

And how many different ways can you answer the question, "How do I look in this?"

As you can see, women, unlike men, are very complicated. They cannot be understood on our terms. The fact that men and women can actually talk together, I sometimes find to be a miracle. I mean how many different shades of colour can you really understand and what is chartreuse anyway? Magenta? Cherry? Rose? Save me.

So are men and women really from different planets?

Between you and me, I have found females to be a mystery since I was a little boy and the little neighbour girl showed her affection for me by stealing my tricycle.

When I was older I asked her, completely exasperated after another argument, as I was leaving her house, "What do girls want?"

Her answer has hung over me since then and for the life of me, I am still trying to decipher it, like a message from a distant galaxy.

"The same as anybody," she said and closed the door.

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R'fuah Sh'lemah to:
Bernie Zarfin by AJA 50+ Executive and Board of Directors.
In appreciation to:
Miriam Levitin by Sylvia Freeman and Rose Kostiner; and by Creative Connections.
Shirley Steinberg by Sylvia Freeman
Creative Connections by Doris Edelstein.

SAMUEL AND JEAN AKERMAN MEMORIAL FUND
In memory of:
Miriam Gordon by Sheila and Larry Hartman.

MARY AND ISRAEL (AL) ALLICE MEMORIAL FUND
In observance of the Yahrzeit of:
Israel Allice, a loving father by Beverly and Irving Swedko; and by Myra and Gordon Allice.

ANNE AND LOUIS ARRON MEMORIAL FUND
Mazal Tov to:
Laraine and Victor Kaminsky on the engagement of their daughter Katherine by Daphne and Stanley Arron.
Carey and Sharon Stevens on the birth of their grandson by Daphne, Stanley and Jen Arron.
Lisa and Jason Stevens on the birth of their son by Daphne, Stanley and Jen Arron.
Sharon and Laurie Weinstein on their daughter Amy's graduation by Daphne, Stanley and Jen Arron.
Anniversary wishes to:
Barbara and Lenny Farber on their special wedding anniversary by Daphne, Stanley and Jen Arron.

YETTA AND LAWRENCE ARRON ENDOWMENT FUND
Anniversary wishes to:
Yetta and Larry Arron on their 60th wedding anniversary by Joy and Dennis Jacuk, Steven and Ann Arron and Ilona Feldman and families; and by Sally and Morton Taller.

ALYCE AND ALLAN FAMILY FUND
Anniversary wishes to:
Daphne and Stanley Arron on their 30th wedding anniversary by Alyce and Allan Baker.
Paula and Bobby Smith on their 35th wedding anniversary by Alyce and Allan Baker.
Congratulations to:
Sunny Tavef on her completion as Chair of CFHU by Alyce and Allan Baker.
In memory of:
Morton Tanner by Alyce and Allan Baker.
Sam Greenberg by Alyce and Allan Baker.
Mazal Tov to:
Alyce and Allan Baker on the engagement of their son Michael to Erin Zipes by Harvey Slack.
Allan and Naomi Cracower on the engagement of their son Johnny to Jamie Szirtes by Alyce and Allan Baker.
Birthday wishes to:
David Malek on his special birthday by Alyce and Allan Baker.
In honour of:
Arlene Glube's retirement from Hillel Academy by Alyce and Allan Baker.
Speedy recovery to:
Dave Smith by Alyce and Allan Baker.
In appreciation to:
Alyce and Allan Baker by Erin Zipes and Michael Baker.

RICKI AND BARRY BAKER ENDOWMENT FUND
Mazal Tov to:
Barbara Farber on receiving the Gilbert Greenberg Distinguished Service Award by Ricki and Barry Baker and family.
Evelyn Greenberg on receiving an Honourary Doctorate from the University of Ottawa by Ricki and Barry Baker and family.
Ingrid and Gerry Levitz on the engagement of their *daughter Stephanie to Allan by Ricki and Barry Baker and* family.
Elaine and Norman Wolfish on the birth of their granddaughter Liat Oode by Ricki and Barry Baker and family.
Steve Morgan and Sarah Beutel on the birth of their daughter by Ricki and Barry Baker.
Fred and Lisa Cogan on the engagement of their son Andrew to Lesley Nightingale by Ricki and Barry Baker.
In memory of:
Saul Karanofsky by Ricki and Barry Baker and family.
Many thanks to:
Rabbi Steven Garten by Ricki Baker.
Rabbi Ely Braun by Ricki Baker.
Maxine Miska by Ricki Baker.
Debra Schneiderman by Ricki Baker.
Anniversary wishes to:
Joan and Russell Kronick on their 40th wedding anniversary by Ricki and Barry Baker.

MYRNA AND NORMAN BARWIN FOUNDATION OF THE PINCHAS ZUKERMAN MUSICAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND
Speedy recovery to:
Ellen Leader by Myrna and Norman Barwin.
Congratulations to:
Susan and Herb Pearl on the birth of their grandchild Sage by Myrna and Norman Barwin.
Joy Levine on being awarded the CHEO Volunteer Award by Myrna and Norman Barwin.
Dave Smith on his Honourary Degree and a speedy recovery by Myrna and Norman Barwin.
Mazal Tov to:
Barbara Fradkin on receiving the Arthur Ellis Award by Myrna and Norman Barwin.
Norman and Elaine Wolfish on the birth of their granddaughter by Myrna and Norman Barwin.
Daniel and Ruta Wolfish on the birth of their daughter by Myrna and Norman Barwin.

CAYLA AND MICHAEL BAYLIN ENDOWMENT FUND
Congratulations to:
Evelyn Greenberg on receiving an Honourary Doctorate from the University of Ottawa by Cayla and Michael Baylin.

ISAAC AND HELEN BEILES ENDOWMENT FUND
Birthday wishes to:
Herb Beiles by Yvonne and Harvey Lithwick and family.

IRVING AND ESTHER BELLMAN MEMORIAL FUND
In memory of:
Saul Karanofsky by Mitchell Bellman and Nicola Hamer.
Congratulations to:
Robert Astroff on his wedding by Mitchell Bellman and Nicola Hamer.
R'fuah Sh'lemah to:
Gerry Knobovitch by Jamie Malamed.

CLAIRE AND IRVING BERCOVITCH ENDOWMENT FUND
Mazal Tov to:
Rachel and Ben Schlesinger on the birth of their granddaughter Marisa by Claire and Irving Bercovitch.

RACHEL AND MOSES BESSIN MEMORIAL FUND
In memory of:
Adele Davis by the Schecter family

DR. GERALD BLOOM MEMORIAL FUND
Birthday and anniversary wishes to:
Betty and Jay Dover Ethel Bloom and Sam Charron.

CYNTHIA AND DAVID BLUMENTHAL ENDOWMENT FUND
In memory of:
Howard Davis by Cynthia and David Blumenthal.
Lillian Max by Cynthia and David Blumenthal.
Mazel Tov to:
Vera and Leslie Klein on the birth of their granddaughter by Cynthia and David Blumenthal.
Evelyn Greenberg on receiving an Honourary Doctorate from the University of Ottawa by Cynthia and David Blumenthal.
Anna and Ronny Cantor on the birth of their grandson by Cynthia and David Blumenthal.

JACOB AND BERTHA BOOKMAN MEMORIAL FUND
Mazal Tov to:
Evelyn Greenberg on receiving an Honourary Doctorate from the University of Ottawa by Abe and Lila Bookman.
In memory of:
Gilbert Shore by Lila and Abe Bookman.

NAOMI BULKA MEMORIAL FUND
Mazal Tov to:
Mr. and Mrs. George Jakobovits on their anniversary, their son's engagement and the birth of their great-granddaughters by Ken and Leah Miller.

BENES AND SARAH CANTOR MEMORIAL FUND
Mazal Tov to:
Barry and Marcia Cantor on Jeremy's graduation by Edie Landau.
Jeremy Cantor on his graduation by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

TILLIE AND HARRY CHERM MEMORIAL FUND
In memory of:
Bernice Greenberg by Sylvia and Sol Kaiman.

ARTHUR AND LINDA COGAN FUND FOR YOUNG WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP
Mazal Tov to:
Stanley and Daphne Arron on their special wedding anniversary by Linda and Archie Cogan.
Ron and Ellen Cherney in their new home by Linda and Archie Cogan.
Randi and Neil Shinder in their new home by Linda and Archie Cogan.
Dwayne and Ellen Wright on the wedding of their daughter Sarah to Charlie by Linda and Archie Cogan.
Birthday wishes to:
Archie Cogan on his special birthday by Joan and Russell Kronick.

HOWARD, JEFFREY, ANDREW, MICHAEL, GREGORY AND ZACHARY COGAN FUND
Mazal Tov to:
Ron Piehogan on his Chair of the Jewish Federation of Ottawa by Lisa and Fred Cogan and family.
Fred and Lisa Cogan on the engagement of their son Andrew to Lesley Nightingale by Ethel and Irving Taylor.
Jenny Shinder on receiving the Freiman Family Young Leadership Award by Fred and Lisa Cogan and family.
In honour of:
Chick and Rose Taylor for their commitment to the Jewish community by Fred and Lisa Cogan and family.
Irving and Ethel Taylor for their commitment to the Jewish community by Fred and Lisa Cogan and family.
Speedy recovery to:
David Smith by Fred and Lisa Cogan.

JACK AND SARAH COGAN MEMORIAL FUND
Good health to:
Herb Nadolny by Rhona and Leonard Cogan.
Anniversary wishes to:
Marilyn and William Newman on their 50th wedding anniversary by Rhona and Leonard Cogan.
Beverley and Danny Cantor on their 40th wedding anniversary by Rhona and Leonard Cogan.
All the best to:
Barbara and David Slipacoff by Rhona and Leonard Cogan.
Good luck to:
Bill James on his future endeavours by Rhona and Leonard Cogan.
Speedy recovery to:
Sam Firestone by Rhona and Leonard Cogan

DAVID AND QUEENIE COHEN MEMORIAL FUND
Mazal Tov to:
Avrum Ornstein on his recent honour by David and Judith Kalin.

MAX AND GRETE COHEN MEMORIAL FUND
Birthday wishes to:
Fern Cohen on her special birthday by Barbara and Sid Cohen; by Bess and Casey Swedlove.
Congratulations to:
Ricky Cherney on receiving an Honourary Doctorate from Trent University by Barbara and Sid Cohen.

SANDI AND EDDY COOK FAMILY FUND
Get well wishes to:
Margie Kardash by Sandi and Eddy Cook and family.
Best of luck to:
Ellen and Ron Cherney in their new home by Sandi and Eddy Cook and family.
Congratulations to:
Ron Piehogan as the Chair of the Jewish Federation of Ottawa by Sandi and Eddy Cook.

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Community commitment a family affair as Shustermans open OJCF fund

Community involvement and commitment to Israel are very much a part of Laurie and Lorne Shusterman's life, and the lives of their two sons, Zachary and Benjamin who are 18 and 16 years old.

The Shustermans have participated in three consecutive Missions since 2003.

While on the 2003 Mission, Lorne, a captain with the Ottawa Fire Department, had an opportunity to visit an Israeli fire station. He kept in touch with the people he met there, and consequently, spent 10 days volunteering with the fire department in Eilat and Jerusalem prior to joining the 2004 Mission.

This family's commitment to community, however, goes well beyond participation in community Missions.

Ben is involved with NCSY, canvassing for UJA and volunteering for the AVIV Festival.

In 1994, Laurie participated in the Young Women's Leadership Council and became its chair in 1997. She was awarded the Frieman Family Young Leadership Award in 1997 and became a Trustee of the Vaad Ha'ir in 1998. She served as an executive member of the Vaad from 2001 to 2003, chaired the Ottawa Jewish Community Campus Inc. from 2001 to 2005 and has been an active canvasser for the Annual Campaign since 1994.

The Shusterman family

"During my work on the Vaad, I got a very clear understanding of the needs of our Jewish community both here and in Israel," says Laurie. "All of our beneficiary agencies are in need of funds. The choice to open a fund with the Foundation was an easy one."

The Shustermans have opened the Shusterman Family Fund, and have chosen to designate the proceeds to the Jewish Federation of Ottawa's Annual Campaign.

"We feel that by designating to the Annual Campaign, it will serve the entire community, including a portion of the donation going to Israel," says Laurie.

To make a donation to the Shusterman Family Fund, contact 798-4696, ext. 252.

FOUNDATION DONATIONS

Sandi and Eddy Cook on the engagement of their daughter Jessica by Leonard Shore and Jane Mirsky; by Harold and Irma Sachs; and by Ethel and Irving Taylor.
Mazal Tov to:
Sandy Goldberg and John Jessop on their daughter Isabella's Bat Mitzvah by Sandi and Eddy Cook and family.

CRACOWER FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND
Congratulations to:
Allan and Naomi Cracower on the engagement of their son Johnny by Harold and Irma Sachs.

SADIE AND JOHN CRAFT ENDOWMENT FUND
Anniversary wishes to:
Sadie and John Craft on their 70th wedding anniversary by Claire and Irving Bercovitch; by Stan Kimmel and Carol Spiro; and by Gerald and Barbara Thaw.

MARTY AND TERRI DAVIS ISRAEL CHESED FUND
In appreciation to:
Marty Davis by Ethel and David Malek.
In honour of:
Marty Davis by Anna and Sam Wex; by Bess and Casey Swedlove; by Roz and Steve Fremeth; by Jerry and Josee Posen; by Fred and Lisa Cogan and sons; by Libby and Stan Katz; by Sol and Zelaine Shinder; by Margo, David, Aaron and Gail Kardish; by Shelley and Steven Kimmel and family; by Sol and Edna Goldfarb; Shirley and Shier Berman; by Harold and Irma Sachs; by Lynne Oreck-Wener and Bob Wener; by Frayda and Charlie Wiseman; George and Vera Gara; by Kayla and Alvin Mallay; Shelley and Sid Rothman; by Bob Dale and Elaine Friedberg; by Stan and Sharon Miller; Norman and Myma Barwin; by Lilly Tobin; by Ruth Silbert and Shannon Conway and family; Valerie Eisen, Mark and Lorne; Sol and Estelle Gunner; by Risa, Brent and Shira Taylor; by Jeff and Lois Eisen and family; by Rhoda Bregman; by Ron and Ruth Levitan; by Rabbi Mordecai and Chaya Leah Berger; by Rhonda Shalfran Tannenbaum and Brian Tannenbaum; by Cynthia Engel; by Sharon and Paul Finn and family; by Audrey, Steven and Kyle Taylor; by Barbara and Sid Cohen; by Gladys and John Greenberg. Fern and Ed Cohen; by Naomi and Marvin Krym; by Henry and Maureen Molot; by Maxine and Arthur Rabinovitch, Jonah and Tehilla and Jeremy; Marcia and Charles Rak; by Rose and Chick Taylor; by Roslyn and Arnie Kimmel; by Abe and Lila Bookman; by Ethel and David Malek; by Marion Silver, Alan Brass, Lawrence, Rafi and Shira; by Sandra and Sam Zunder, Philip and Lynnie and family and Alan and Robin and family; by Donna and Bernie Dolansky; by Audrey and Irwin Kreisman and family; by Temple Israel; by Gary and Heather Cohen; by Sara and Steven Morgan; by Gilly, Susan and Efie Vered; by Elaine, Robert, Jason and Daniel Friedman; by Rosalie and Harold Schwartz and family; by Shoshana and Ian Kagedan; by Ellen, Ron, Allison, Jason, Carolyn and Daniel Cherney; and by Debbie and Ron Weiss.
In memory of:
Saul Karanofsky by Ethel and David Malek.

SELMA AND BARRY DAVIS ENDOWMENT FUND
Mazal Tov to:
Flore and Bill Silverman on their grandson's Bar Mitzvah by Selma and Barry Davis.
Rose and Moe Litwack on their grandson's Bar Mitzvah by Selma and Barry Davis.

NATHAN AND REBA DIENER ENDOWMENT FUND
Birthday wishes to:
Jonathan Pivnick on his special birthday by Barbara and Joel Diener.
Eric Weisbloom on his special birthday by Barbara and Joel Diener.
Tina Beranbaum on her special birthday by Barbara and Joel Diener.
Congratulations to:
David and Julie Ross on the birth of their daughter by Barbara and Joel Diener.

DOLANSKY FAMILY FUND
In memory of:
Morton Tanner by Donna and Bernie Dolansky.
Mazal Tov to:
Agnes Laing and Jack Lehrer on their marriage by Donna and Bernie Dolansky

MORRIE AND HELEN EISEN ENDOWMENT FUND
Anniversary wishes to:
Shelley and Sid Rothman on their 25th wedding anniversary by Helen and Morrie Eisen.

JEFFREY AND LOIS EISEN FAMILY FUND
R'fuah Sh'lemah to:
Tani Sanders by Jeff and Lois Eisen and family.
Birthday wishes to:
Morrie Eisen on his 84th birthday by Jeff, Lois, Hailey, Allan and Michael Eisen.

LOU EISENBERG CAMP B'NAI BRITH SCHOLARSHIP FUND
Birthday wishes to:
Jonathan Pivnick on his 50th birthday by Elayne and Wesley Schacter.
Eric Weisbloom on his 50th birthday by Elayne and Wesley Schacter.

CYNTHIA AND ABE ENGEL ENDOWMENT FUND
In memory of:
Morton Tanner by Cynthia Engel.
Mazal Tov to:
Evelyn Greenberg on receiving an Honourary Doctorate from the University of Ottawa by Cynthia Engel.
Marcia Saipe and Ted Miller on their marriage by Cynthia Engel.
Get well wishes to:
Edie Koranyi by Cynthia Engel.
Thank you to:
Judy and Eric Cohen and family by Stephanie Engel.

KATIE ELLEN FARBER MEMORIAL FUND
Birthday wishes to:
Barry Farber on his 50th birthday by the Cogan and Elcabetz families; by Sue and Steve Rothman and family.
Jonathan Pivnick on his 50th birthday by Joy, Seymour, Jessica, David and Jared Mender; by David and Sharon Appotive; and by Ken and Tina Koffman.

ELLEN AND RAHAMIM FATHI ENDOWMENT FUND
In memory of:
Beulah Fitch by Ellen, Ray and Tamara Fathi.
Mazal Tov to:
Naomi and Allan Cracower on the engagement of their son Johnny by Ellen, Ray and Tamara Fathi.
Thank you to:
Jack Silverstein by Ellen and Ray Fathi.

MARJORIE AND MICHAEL FELDMAN FAMILY FUND
In memory of:
Saul Karanofsky by Marjorie and Michael Feldman.

JOSEPH AND BETTY FELLER ENDOWMENT FUND
In memory of:
Moshe Feig by Joseph and Betty Feller.

HARRY FINE MEMORIAL FUND
Mazal Tov to:
Evelyn Greenberg on receiving an Honourary Doctorate from the University of Ottawa by Sara and Hugh Shabsove; by Barbara and Louis Fine.
Jozef Straus on receiving an Honourary Doctorate from the University of Ottawa by Sara and Hugh Shabsove.
Agnes Laing and Jack Lehrer on their marriage by Paula and Robert Smith.
Speedy recovery to:
Laya Shabinsky by Sara and Hugh Shabsove.
Herb Nadolny by Sara and Hugh Shabsove.
Anniversary wishes to:
Paula and Robert Smith on their 35th wedding anniversary by David and Rochelle Greenberg.
Birthday wishes to:
Laura Spergel by Barbara and Louis Fine.
Congratulations to:
Barbara Farber on receiving the Gilbert Greenberg Distinguished Service Award by Barbara and Louis Fine.

ROSE AND DAVID FINE MEMORIAL FUND
Anniversary wishes to:
Paula and Bobby Smith on their 35th wedding anniversary and Robert's retirement by Judi and Elliott Hoffman; and by Peter Fine, Beryl, Alexandra and Rebecca

STEVE LEVINSON/IDA FIRESTONE ENDOWMENT FUND
Speedy recovery to:
Laya Shabinsky by Ida Firestone and Steve Levinson.
Birthday wishes to:
David Smith on his 50th birthday by Ida Firestone and Steven Levinson.

SAM AND SUSAN FIRESTONE ENDOWMENT FUND
Speedy recovery to:
Sam Firestone by Joany, Andy, Jaclyn, Jonathan and Stacey Katz; and by Sandra and Jacie Levinson.
Margie Kardash by Sam and Susan Firestone.
Congratulations to:
Sandi and Eddy Cook on the engagement of their daughter Jessica by Sam and Susan Firestone.
Sandra and Jacie Levinson on the birth of their granddaughter by Sam and Susan Firestone.
Ron Prehogan on becoming the Chair of the Jewish Federation of Ottawa by Sam and Susan Firestone.
Arnie Vered on a successful Presidency of the Jewish Community Council of Ottawa/Vaad Ha'ir by Sam and Susan Firestone.
Michael Gennis on his daughter Hanna's Bat Mitzvah by Sam and Susan Firestone.
Esther and Bruce Bercovitch on the birth of their niece by Sam and Susan Firestone.
Ben and Rachel Schlesinger on the birth of their granddaughter by Sam and Susan Firestone.
Thank you to:
Marty and Terri Davis by Sam and Susan Firestone.
Get well wishes to:
Herbert Nadolny by Sam and Susan Firestone.
Anniversary wishes to:
Zeev and Sara Vered on their 55th wedding anniversary by Sam and Susan Firestone.
Debbie and Ron Weiss on their 25th wedding anniversary by Sam and Susan Firestone.

ROZ AND STEVEN FREMETH FAMILY FUND
Mazal Tov to:
Hy and Anna Rabinovitch on their children's accomplishments by Roz and Steve Fremeth.
Jill and Allan Bellack on the wedding of their daughter by Roz and Steve Fremeth.
Shelley and Sid Rothman on their 25th wedding anniversary by Roz and Steve Fremeth.
Arthur and Maxine Rabinovitch on their 25th wedding anniversary by Roz and Steve Fremeth.
Helaine and Jack Gould on their son's graduation by Roz and Steve Fremeth.
In memory of:
William Bellack by Roz and Steve Fremeth.
Saul Karanofsky by Roz and Steve Fremeth.

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ROBERT AND LEAH GENCHER FAMILY FUND
Birthdey wishes to:
David Malek on his special birthday by Leah and Bob Gencher.
In observance of the Yahrzeit of:
Bummie Engel, a beloved brother, by Leah and Bob Gencher and family.
Continued good health to:
Paul Fayrwachs by Leah and Bob Gencher.

FRAN AND SID GERSHBERG FAMILY FUND
In memory of:
Sam Greenberg by Fran and Sid Gershberg.

GILBOA/MAOZ FAMILY FUND
In memory of:
Lana Coviensky-Liner by Tal Gilboa, Paz, Eitan and Hadar.
Mazal Tov to:
Sue and Jack Feldberg on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Maya by Tal Gilboa, Paz, Eitan and Hadar.
Marcia and Barry Cantor on Jeremy's graduation by Tal Gilboa, Paz, Eitan and Hadar.

STAN AND LIBBY GLUBE FAMILY FUND
Mazal Tov to:
John and Fran Klein on their 40th wedding anniversary by Malcolm and Vera Glube.
Mark and Jill Lieberman on the engagement of their daughter Laurie to Rob Segal by Malcolm and Vera Glube.
Bert and Myra Shinwell on their granddaughter Danielle's Bat Mitzvah by Bev, Bryan, Alison and Robbie Glube.
Bruce and Esther Bercovitch on their marriage by Bev and Bryan Glube
Sandra and Jacie Levinson on the birth of their granddaughter by Malcolm and Vera Glube.
Anniversary wishes to:
Dolly and Shelley Baller on their 50th wedding anniversary by Arlene and Norman Glube.
Marilyn and Dan Kimmel on their 40th wedding anniversary by Malcolm and Vera Glube.
Congratulations to:
Norman Glube on receiving the Lou Honigman Award by Malcolm and Vera Glube, Mark, Deanna, Sharon, Sol, Noah, Kayla, Andrea and Daniel.
Barbara Farber on receiving the Gilbert Greenberg Distinguished Service Award by Malcolm and Vera Glube.
In memory of:
Charlotte Davidson by Malcolm and Vera Glube.
Anne Storter by Malcolm and Vera Glube and family.
Birthday wishes to:
Bert Shinwell on his 80th birthday by Bev, Bryan, Alison and Robbie Glube.
Jonathan Pivnick on his 50th birthday by Bev, Bryan, Alison and Robbie Glube

ANN GLUZMAN MEMORIAL FUND
Mazal Tov to:
Ingrid and Gerry Levitz on the engagement of their daughter Stephanie to Allan Shefrin by Anna and Sam Wex; by Arlene and Gary Bonn and family; and by Rhoda, Jeffrey, Howard and Sara Miller.
Bruce Bercovitch and Esther Schlesinger on their marriage by Arlene and Gary Bonn and family; by Arthur and Maxine Rabinovitch; by Debbie and Ron Weiss; and by Ethel and Irving Taylor.
In memory of:
Morton Tanner by Arlene and Gary Bonn and family

HOWARD HERTZ GOLDBERG SCHOLARSHIP FUND
Birthday wishes to:
Julia Guttmann by Eileen Goldberg
Helene Goldberg by Eileen Goldberg.

DAVID AND HEATHER GOLDFARB ENDOWMENT FUND
Congratulations to:
David and Heather Goldfarb on the marriage of their son by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

SAUL AND EDNA GOLDFARB ENDOWMENT FUND
Congratulations to:
Saul and Edna Goldfarb on the marriage of their grandson by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

EVA, DIANE AND JACK GOLDFIELD MEMORIAL FUND
Mazal Tov to:
David and Julie Ross on the birth of their daughter by Morley Goldfield and family.

SANDRA AND MARVIN GRANATSTEIN ENDOWMENT FUND
Birthday wishes to:
Archie Cogan on his 65th birthday by Sandy and Marvin Granatstein.

GREENBERG, HUTT, KONICK ENDOWMENT FUND
Belated birthday wishes to:
Gdalyah Rosenfeld by Rose and Morrie Konick.
Norman Potechin by Rose and Morrie Konick.

FRITZI AND MAX (CHIEF) GREENBERG MEMORIAL FUND
Mazal Tov to:
Barbara and David Slipacoff on Ian's engagement by Debbie and Norm Ferkin.
Linda and Murray Greenberg on Ben's graduation by Deb, Norm and Vicky Ferkin.

IRVING AND SHIRLEY GREENBERG ENDOWMENT FUND
Mazal Tov to:
Shirley Greenberg on the establishment of the Shirley E. Greenberg Chair for Women and the Legal Profession at the University of Ottawa by Fred and Lisa Cogan.

LAURA AND MILTON GREENBERG FAMILY FUND
Birthday wishes to:
Malca Prager by Laura Greenberg.

NATHAN AND SARAH GREENBERG MEMORIAL FUND
Mazal Tov to:
Evelyn Greenberg on receiving an Honourary Doctorate from the University of Ottawa by Yanda and Mark Max; by Myrna, Steve, Philip and Neil Harrison; by Ruth Lynne Budovitch; and by Gert and Francene Budovitch.
Congratulations to:
Rochelle and Ron Fox on Brooke's and Shelby's graduation by Gert Budovitch; by Myrna, Steve, Philip and Neil Harrison; and by Evelyn and Irving Greenberg.

GROSSMAN KLEIN FAMILIES FUND
Mazal Tov to:
Vera and Leslie Klein on the birth of their granddaughter by Yanda and Mark Max.

GERALD AND HANNAH HALPERN ENDOWMENT FUND
Mazal Tov to:
Evelyn Greenberg on receiving an Honourary Doctorate from the University of Ottawa by Hannah and Gerald Halpern.

TEENA AND WALTER HENDELMAN ENDOWMENT FUND
In memory of:
Harvey Grossman by Teena and Walter Hendelman.

HY AND PAULINE HOCHBERG ENDOWMENT FUND
Birthday wishes to:
Abe Hochberg by Pauline Hochberg and family.
Mazal Tov to:
Sid and Sheila Hochberg in their new home by Pauline Hochberg and family.

RHEA AND JEFF HOCHSTADTER FAMILY FUND
Birthday wishes to:
Muriel Hymes on her special birthday by Rhea, Jeff, Elana and Lorne Hochstadter.
Jonathan Pivnick on his 50th birthday by Rhea and Jeff Hochstadter.
In memory of:
Milton Potash by Kiddytown Ltd.

DOROTHY AND HY HYMES ENDOWMENT FUND
Mazal Tov to:
Evelyn Greenberg on receiving an Honourary Doctorate from the University of Ottawa by Dorothy and Hy Hymes.
Birthday wishes to:
Muriel Hymes by Dorothy and Hy Hymes; and by Goldie Abramson.
R'fuah Sh'lemah to:
Laya Shabinsky by Dorothy and Hy Hymes.
Anniversery wishes to:
Diana and Alvin Malomet on their 50th wedding anniversary by Dorothy and Hy Hymes.
Well wishes to:
Lillian Kimmel by Dorothy and Hy Hymes.

SAMUEL AND TILLIE KARDISH MEMORIAL FUND
Mazal Tov to:
Joy and David Kardish on the engagement of their son Josh to Ellen by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

HIRAM AND LILLIAN KATHNELSON FAMILY FUND
Thank you to:
Stephen and Lois Kathnelson by Andrea and Allan Solman.
Speedy recovery to:
Joel Cohen by Anita and Mike Roodman.

ARTHUR AND SARAH KIMMEL MEMORIAL FUND
Mazal Tov to:
Paula and Bobby Smith on their 35th wedding anniversary by Roz and Arnie Kimmel.
In memory of:
Vicky Ovis by Roz and Arnie Kimmel.

SHARON KOFFMAN ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND
Birthday wishes to:
Barry Appel on his 60th birthday by Bev Durand and Joel Koffman.

DR. ERWIN AND EDIE KORANYI ENDOWMENT FUND
R'fuah Sh'lemah to:
Edie Koranyi by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

MELVIN KOSTOVE MEMORIAL FUND
Speedy recovery to:
Ronald Blumer by Valerie Eisen, Mark and Lorne.
Steven Samuels by Valerie Eisen, Mark and Lorne.
Gary Garber by Valerie Eisen.
In memory of:
Melvin Kostove by Cindy and Greg Roberts; and by Jill and Allan Bellack.
Saul Karanolsky by Valerie Eisen, Mark and Lorne.
Lana Coviensky-Liner by Valerie Eisen, Mark and Lorne.
Anniversary wishes to:
Shelley and Sid Rothman on their 25th wedding anniversary by Valerie Eisen, Mark and Lorne.

KOVOD ENDOWMENT FUND
In honour of:
Robert Astroff's marriage by Debbie Weiss.

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Birthday wishes to:
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In memory of:
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In memory of:
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In memory of:
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In memory of:
Saul Karanofsky by Sol and Zelaine Shinder.
Birthday wishes to:
Dora Litwack on her special birthday by Sol and Zelaine Shinder.
Mazal Tov to:
Jason and Jenny Shinder on the birth of their son Jordan by Sol and Zelaine Shinder.
R'fuah Sh'lemah to:
Beatrice Garceau by Sol and Zelaine Shinder.

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Mort and Nancy Bercovitch by Anne and Sol Shmelzer.
Mazal Tov to:
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Birthday wishes to:
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In memory of:
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Mazal Tov to:
Ingrid and Gerry Levitz on the engagement of their daughter Stephanie to Allan by Myra and Lester Aronson and family.
In memory of:
Morton Tanner by Myra and Lester Aronson.
In honour of:
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Birthday wishes to:
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Jewish news readily available on the Internet

Global Shtetl
The Jewish Internet

Saul Silverman

The problem with keeping up with the latest news on the internet is that you can get inundated with all kinds of things passing for hot news – good, bad and indifferent.

So how can you keep an eye on what is happening in Jewish news without being overwhelmed? Here are three steps to simplify your news hunt. First scan. Secondly, if you need more information, focus on only a few sources that are likely to be most reliable for the kind of news you need. Thirdly, if you need to know anything special, do a search for it using very specific terms.

Scanning

News scanning provides a quick overview of what is happening now. There are a couple of good ways of scanning Jewish news. The Jewish Telegraphic Agency (JTA) is my first resource if I want to see what is happening around the world and what issues are emerging in the Jewish world. JTA has been around since 1914, and has provided a reliable news service (like AP or Reuters) that concentrates on Jewish news and analysis from Albania to Zimbabwe.

News aggregators provide another handy way to scan what is happening. These websites search for news in one or more topic areas and organize stories from various sources. The BBC, as a subdivision of its religions area, has an excellent news aggregator on a broad range of Jewish news and goes beyond purely religious coverage.

Focusing

Web editions of five leading newspapers provide you with choices when you want to focus on Jewish news.

The Jewish Chronicle, published in London since the 1840s, is global in coverage, but particularly good on British and European stories. Feature stories offer interesting insights that are usually missed in the general media.

Leading American Jewish media focus more overtly on political and social-cultural issues. *The Forward* (once the leading Yiddish newspaper in North America, with 11 regional editions, and a peak circulation of 200,000) has been revived as an English-language weekly. There is also a Yiddish edition. Recent rumors have been circulating that a wealthy investor is negotiating to bring back a daily edition.

A second New York Jewish newspaper, *The Jewish Week*, is more oriented to local and American news and seems to provide more coverage from a religious perspective.

Content from the latest edition of the *Canadian Jewish News* is available on its website. Focus is on Canadian news of interest to the Jewish community.

In earlier columns, I've frequently dealt with Israeli news sources. But I recently came across *Yedioth Acharonot*, the leading mass-circulation Israeli newspaper, in an English-language web edition. It is a popular newspaper, known for its hard-hitting journalism, and provides a different insight into Israeli opinion than the *Jerusalem Post* or *Ha'aretz*.

News searches

News searches can be useful particularly if you want to look at coverage of specific events and issues. I used the recent international wave of cemetery desecrations to test two such sites, by entering "Jewish cemetery" in their search boxes.

Google has a news site that is particularly useful for searching for the most up-to-date topical news. I entered my search term, and when I got the results, changed from a "relevance" search (articles displayed according to relevance to the term searched) to "by date" (ranked from most recent coverage backwards).

I got 194 hits, on cemetery desecrations (in London, Tatarstan, Ukraine and elsewhere), as well as other news related to Jewish cemeteries. The latest story, about a memorial service held in Kosice, Slovakia, was posted eight hours before my search.

Yahoo News – Full Coverage provides detailed links and background for major Israeli and Jewish stories, and also provides a search engine function. The advantage of Yahoo's full news search over Google News is that it provides fuller capsule views of what the story is about before you click to access the text of the full story.

A very useful feature of both the Google and Yahoo news search sites is the ability to easily set up a news alert to receive an e-mail alert (immediately, daily or weekly) with links to new coverage on any topic you want to continue covering.

Websites

Jewish Telegraphic Agency: *http://www.jta.org*

BBC Jewish news: *http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/news/newsjewish.shtml*

Jewish Chronicle (London): *http://www.thejc.com*

The Forward: *http://www.forward.com/f*

Jewish Week (New York City): *http://www.thejewishweek.com/*

Canadian Jewish News: *http://www.cjnews.com/default.asp*

Yedioth Acharonot: *http://www.ynetnews.com*

Google News search: *http://news.google.com/news?ned=ca*

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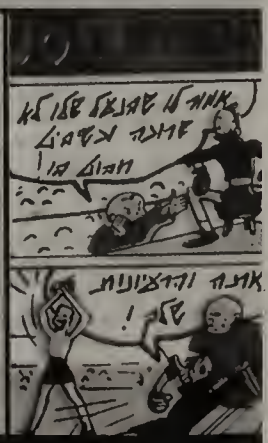

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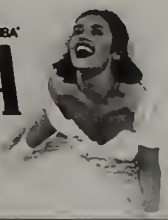

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During the ceremony at the Soloway JCC, Rabbi Braun, Rabbi Garten, and Rabbi Bulka spoke to the graduates about the continuity of Jewish learning. Dr. Bruria Cooperman, Chair of the Soloway JCC Board of Directors, congratulated the students on their tenacious work. Jack Silverstein, Campaign Executive Director, spoke about the relationship of Jewish learning to community. Les Kom, President of the Canadian Friends of Hebrew University, elaborated upon the connection of the Melton School to Israel.

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Internationally known Israeli mystery writer will be missed by fans

The Book Beat

Kinneret Globerman

Batya Gur is dead.

The *Haaretz* contributor, literature professor, critic and writer passed away in Jerusalem, in May, at the age of 57. She was internationally known for her mysteries, which were bestsellers in Israel and popular in Europe. Sales of her originally Hebrew books ran into the millions with translations of them in English, Spanish, German and French.

Once you read them, you'll understand their appeal. Batya Gur's mysteries are more than entertaining whodunits. They are dissections of various aspects of Israeli society. They are psychological explorations of human motivation. And they are all so intelligently written. They are immensely satisfying reads.

All of the five she wrote centre around Michael Ohayon, a Moroccan-born Israeli Chief Inspector (Chief Superintendent by the last mystery in the series) who had once majored in medieval history. Tall, dark and handsome, the introspective and quintessential sabra—somewhat prickly on the outside but tender where it counts – is the leading man in all of Gur's mysteries, just like the ever popular English writer P.D. James' Adam Dalgliesh. As each of the tales in the series develops, we learn more about the likeable detective whose failed personal life is in complete contrast to his success professionally.

We're introduced to Ohayon in *The Saturday Morning Mystery: A Psychoanalytic Case* (Softcover, Harper Perennial/ HarperCollins, 1992), the first of the series, which Gur wrote at the age of 39. It centres around a homicide that takes place in the early hours of a Saturday morning at an institute of psychology.

From the very beginning, Ohayon reveals himself to be a man of complexity. He can be tough and intractable, but also self-analytical. In a roomful of psychoanalysts with superiority complexes when it comes to lowly policemen, Ohayon "called himself to order and warned his weaker side not to give way to irrelevant impulses, such as the need to make an impression. It was time to get to work."

Divorced, with an adolescent son, Ohayon is a devoted father who struggles with his anxieties over keeping his only child safe from "the dangers lurking at every corner" while at the same time calmly and methodically solving the homicides that come his way.

Ohayon is also a ladies man, yet never fully happy in love. What makes him so compelling a character is his deep desire to understand the people he comes into contact with, their histories, their emotional needs – the details of their lives.

Gur used the mystery series to explore various issues and insular worlds within Israeli society.

In *Murder on a Kibbutz* (Softcover, HarperPerennial/ HarperCollins, 1995), the not-so-utopian life of the kibbutz is exposed in all its ideological and political conflicts.

In *Bethlehem Road Murder* (Hardcover, HarperCollins, 2004), Gur revisits the Israeli scandal of the disappearance and alleged kidnapping of Yemenite children of immigrants in the late 1940s and early 1950s.

Literary Murder: A Critical Case (Softcover, HarperPerennial/HarperCollins, 1993) focuses on the elitist community of professors in the literature department at Hebrew University while *Murder Duet: A Musical Case* (Softcover, HarperPerennial/HarperCollins, 1999) deals with the world of classical musicians.

All are played out on the backdrop of life in Israel: Israeli-style prejudice where sabra citizens barely patronize their immigrant neighbours and where acrimony exists between Ashkenazim and Sephardim and, of course, the Arab "issue" – the discrimination of Arab labourers, the intifada. Gur's books were commentaries on the complexities of the Israeli reality. And their entertainment value – aside from being great yarns – particularly for Israelis, was the fact that Gur based many of her characters and their conversations on real people in various Israeli academic circles.

Ohayon's creator was born in Tel Aviv. Batya Gur's parents were Holocaust survivors, originally from Poland. Growing up in Ramat Gan and Tel Aviv, Gur was politically and socially active and this kind of engagement carried on into her adult life. She often spoke out against the Israeli administration, criticizing the government on various policies, especially on tours abroad, blaming Sharon for producing suicide bombers. Her mysteries are infused with social commentary, but not in any dogmatic way. She was first and foremost a novelist, yet, as Margalit Fox wrote in the *New York Times*, "her mysteries were less about the death of the body than they were sustained, thoughtful explorations of the life of the mind."

Perhaps it was her marriage to psychologist Amos Gur for many years that gave her such psychological insight. It certainly gave her grist for the mill for her first book, *Saturday Morning Murder*, which was written at the same time as her husband was training at the Israel Psychoanalytic Institute.

Gur, unfortunately for her fans, came to writing later in life, having first studied at Jerusalem's Hebrew University where she obtained a Master's Degree in Hebrew Literature. She had been battling cancer for nine months before she died. Her premature demise has robbed her loyal readership of more of her wonderful and exotic Ohayon mysteries. What a tragic loss for those of us who love good, intelligent whodunits.

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One act of kindness leads to another and another ...

... this was the idea behind YAD's 1st Annual *Pay It Forward Mitzvah Day*, held on Sunday, June 12, 2005, and to say this day was a success would be an understatement.

Approximately 150 people took part and performed mitzvoth throughout the community. Families and individuals of all ages came together to *Pay It Forward* and do something good for someone else who might be more vulnerable, in need of a visit, a bear to hug, and/or some other form of social assistance.

"This event has the potential to build awareness of our community needs," said Evan Zelikovitz, who co-chaired the Mitzvah Day Committee along with his wife Lenora.

"The great thing about Mitzvah Day is that for some volunteers, what might have started as a one-time commitment could lead to a long-standing relationship with an agency," added Lenora.

And what a busy and productive day it was.

Hillel Lodge was a hub of activity with every seat in the Sobcov Café taken by busy children and parents, working side-by-side with the residents, decorating clay pots and planting flowers. Dozens signed up for a friendly visit with Lodge residents.

Youth leaders Bram Bregman and Leora Kimmel worked together with several energetic teens to create a mural of the Western Wall in the Soloway Jewish Community Centre's (SJCC) Teen Lounge.

The SJCC's Classroom 5 was filled to capacity with crafty, caring types sewing teddy bears in co-operation with Emunah Women of Ottawa, who will ship the bears overseas to Neve Children's Village in Israel.

Mitzvah Day did even more than the obvious. It helped build bridges between generations and different populations, and gave parents, in particular, a chance to teach their children in a hands-on way about tzedakah, mitzvoth and the tradition of caring for the elderly.

At the Ottawa Food Bank, 15 helpers from Tamir along with a handful of community volunteers helped sort food for the less fortunate, while the Young Singles Division of YAD washed cars and raised $488 dollars for the CHEO Foundation. Food was also collected for the Kosher Food Bank.

Despite the tremendous heat and humidity, spirits remained high throughout the day. All this good feeling was palpable when everyone regrouped in the SJCC's Social Hall for an ice cream celebration and magic show.

YAD hopes to make *Pay It Forward Mitzvah Day* an annual community event and increase its scope by involving more community groups next year.

When asked what Mitzvah Day means to you, here is a sample of responses:

Haley and Alexis Weinstein – "Doing something good."

Tracy Weinstein – "Opening your heart to the needs in the community."

Micah Potechin (wearing the CHEO Bear costume) – "Time to do good ... and have a good time."

Avi Bregman (another car washer) – "Good to chip in and do your part to help others."

Ben Shusterman (teen lounge) – "A time when we all come together to help the less fortunate."

Sarah Silverstein (Hillel Lodge painting with residents) – "Showing my son that mitzvoth are something we can do as a family, and that tzedakah is about more than money."

David Baker (co-chair of YAD, photographer for the day) – "It's beautiful to see how one mitzvah can affect so many people."

Sincere thanks to all participants including committee members and Friends of YAD's first annual Pay It Forward Mitzvah Day

Vegetarian dish impresses non-vegetarians

Made with Love

Cindy Feingold

I celebrated the Canada day weekend at my cottage with my mom, two sisters and their families. There were 11 of us sitting around the table and, as is our tradition on Friday night, each of us shares with the rest of the family three things they feel grateful for that past week.

My youngest sister said she felt grateful that I had prepared a special vegetarian entrée just for her. She said that when she is a guest, she often just eats the salad and vegetable side dishes. Her gratitude really touched me, so I thought I'd share with you the recipe I served her.

More and more people are opting to eat less meat and find alternate, healthier protein sources. Vegetarians are often treated as an afterthought and hosts feel confused about what to serve them.

The thought of having to prepare a second meal, just for the vegetarian seems daunting and the thought of making just a vegetarian entrée for all the guests does not seem like an acceptable option either.

The following recipe for stuffed peppers takes less than 30 minutes to put together. It can be made earlier in the day and baked just before serving. Your vegetarian friends will be very appreciative. Even the non-vegetarians, who tasted this, loved it.

The other recipe in this week's column is for a feta-mint dip with yogurt. This is a great starter course or snack to serve with drinks. I like to serve it with spicy pita chips I buy at Thyme and Again. Any type of cracker or pita would be just as good. Those avoiding carbs will appreciate a crudité platter to scoop up this dip.

Feta Mint Dip with Yogurt

This recipe comes from the September 2002 issue of *Cook's Magazine*.

I always make a double recipe, as it seems to disappear very quickly.

1 cup plain whole milk yogurt (at least 4% MF)
1/2 cup mayonnaise (light is OK, but DO NOT use fat-free)
2 1/2 ounces feta cheese, crumbled (1/2 cup)
1/4 cup chopped fresh mint leaves
2 medium green onions, roughly chopped
2 teaspoons freshly squeezed lemon juice

Place yogurt in a cheesecloth-lined colander set over a bowl. If you have no cheesecloth, a flat-bottomed paper coffee filter works equally well. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate for 8 to 24 hours. After yogurt has drained, discard liquid in bowl.

Process all ingredients in food processor, fitted with chopping blade, until smooth and creamy, about 30 seconds. Transfer dip to serving bowl, cover with plastic wrap, and refrigerate until flavours are blended, at least 1 hour. Serve cold with crudités or pita chips or crackers. This dip can be refrigerated in an airtight container for up to 2 days.

Lentil and Rice Stuffed Peppers

This recipe comes from the summer 2005 issue of *Homemaker's Magazine*. While lentils are an excellent source of protein, the texture is somewhat off-putting to some people. Once the peppers are baked, the lentils all but disappear and you are left with all the benefits of lentils but none of the texture. It's magic! Even my 14-year-old vegetarian daughter proclaimed these peppers are "not bad," which is high praise coming from a teen.

4 medium red peppers (try to choose peppers that have 4 bumps on the bottom, rather than 3, as these will stand better during roasting)
3 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
1 small onion, finely diced
3 cloves garlic, minced
3 cups mushrooms
1/2 teaspoon each, salt and pepper
1/3 cup basmati rice
1/4 cup red lentils
1/2 cup freshly grated Parmesan cheese
1/4 cup chopped fresh flat-leaf (Italian) parsley
4 teaspoons lemon juice
2 teaspoons chopped fresh oregano
2 plum tomatoes, seeded and diced

Slice tops off peppers; core and scrape out seeds. Place peppers, cut side up in a square glass baking dish. Discard stems and dice tops of peppers.

Place mushrooms in food processor with chopping blade and pulse about 10 times until mushrooms are finely chopped.

In a saucepan, heat 1 tablespoon of the olive oil over medium-high heat and cook onion and garlic until onion is slightly softened, about 3 minutes. Add mushrooms, diced red peppers, and season with salt and pepper. Cook, stirring occasionally, until all the liquid from the mushrooms has evaporated, about 6 minutes. Add rice, lentils and 1 cup of water. Bring to a boil. Cover, reduce heat and simmer until rice and lentils are tender and mixture is wet but not saucy, about 20 minutes. Scrape mixture into a bowl and let cool slightly.

Toss cheese, parsley, lemon juice and oregano with rice mixture. Spoon rice mixture into peppers, drizzle with remaining 2 tablespoons olive oil, top with diced tomatoes and sprinkle with a tiny bit of salt and pepper.

Cover with foil and bake in 350 degree oven until peppers are almost tender, about 1 hour. Uncover and bake until tops are crusty, about 30 more minutes.

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Secret lives: Part Two

Kid Lit

Deanna Silverman

When I chose the theme of secret lives for my summer columns, I didn't realize I'd mainly be reviewing novels written by Canadian authors and issued by Canadian publishers. Proof positive that Canada has come a long way in Kid Lit Jewish content since I began this column in 1989.

The Thought of High Windows
By Lynne Kositsky
Kids Can Press 2004
176 pps. Ages 12 and up

Lots of kids like jumping from high places. I don't know why. But I do remember that jumping from garage roofs into snowdrifts was, for a while, a favourite sport in the Winnipeg of my youth.

Still, I must admit I never experienced the sense of soaring freedom Esther/Mouse/Nicole/Solange, the female protagonist in *The Thought of High Windows*, feels as she leaps from windows when things are not to her liking. And there is much that is not to her liking in Berlin under the Nazis and, early into the Second World War, in Belgium and France where she is one of 60 German Jewish children being cared for by the Red Cross.

An unlikely hero who wallows in low self-esteem, Esther Wilinski's secret lives are primarily inner directed. She's a self-centred self-pitying, fat, lumpy, naive, 16-year-old misfit. Her only virtue seems to be be an amazing instinct for survival. In an anti-Semitic world at war, Esther/Mouse fixates on everyday concerns.

Her sometimes friend is Walter Stein. An equally unlikely protagonist, Walter/Elephant is a clumsy, nerdish Jack Spratt like figure. Immersed in Kabbalah, gematria, and numerology, Walter is intent on finding the mystical numeric value that will destroy Hitler.

Both Esther and Walter want to be accepted by the popular girls in the group, the new modern German Jewish girls. But after enduring a lot of bullying Esther realizes " ... to their minds, it's Jews like me that made Hitler hate us all."

Walter doesn't realize that, so for most of the book he hurts Esther deeply by chasing after the beautiful girls. Indeed, in a bizarre interlude of captivity he becomes enmeshed in what reads like a fantasy relationship with apparition-like twin sisters.

Nevertheless, Esther is hopelessly smitten. Walter is her world of sanity, comfort and hope even when they aren't together. When they are together, "Elephant and Mouse can speak the thoughts and feelings Walter and Esther would never have the courage to declare."

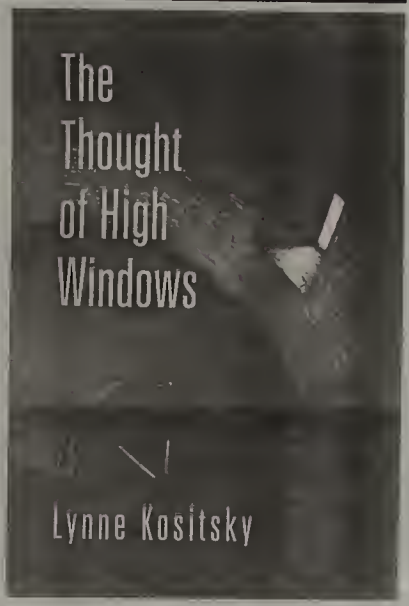
Writing in short chapters with great attention to physical detail, adolescent psychology and atmosphere, Lynne Kositsky begins her novel in mid story. The refuge children have just arrived at the castle, Chateau La Blaize, in southern France. They will live first in its filthy barn and later, under more dangerous conditions, in the castle itself.

Linear thinkers may have trouble reading this book because the story flows back and forth in time with dizzying speed, sometimes within the same short chapter. Adding the flashbacks and memories to the sordid details of Esther's daily life emphasizes her misery and her desire to still be a protected little girl.

Esther can't even escape into pleasant reminiscences. Even when her memories start happily, they become haunting, wretched and guilt ridden. Climbing out of windows or jumping from them is Esther's one true escape both in the past and in the present.

Eventually Esther is forced to leave Walter and the castle. She is captured by the Nazis, has the wit to escape, and is on her own in the French countryside. Taken in by a crusty widow, Esther reluctantly becomes a courier for the Jewish Underground, later a willing rescuer.

For a brief time, she and Walter are reunited. Their happiness ends suddenly with a dramatic demonstration of Walter's love. Once again, Esther succumbs to feelings of loss, loneliness and guilt. But this time a German soldier and Walter's remembered words help Esther mature and carry on.



From *The Thought of High Windows*

Loosely based on a variety of true incidents from the Second World War, *The Thought of High Windows* is a powerful and emotionally draining reminder that the Holocaust affected the lives of ordinary Jews of all ages and that each and every survivor, whether likable or not, is a hero.

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 7
MONDAY, AUGUST 8
Temple Israel and Ottawa Hadassah-WIZO books and things sale, 1301 Prince of Wales Drive, 10:00 am.

THURSDAY
AUGUST 11
SJCC/AJA50+, All That Jazz II, summer concert, 8:00 pm.

SUNDAY
AUGUST 21
Vered Israeli Cultural and Educational Program, Israeli House, 7:30 pm.

CANDLELIGHTING BEFORE

Jul 29	✡	8:16 pm
Aug 5	✡	8:07 pm
Aug 12	✡	7:57 pm
Aug 19	✡	7:45 pm
Aug 26	✡	7:33 pm

COMING SOON

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30
Cellist Rachel Aplowitzer performs with Sinfonia Ottawa. Information and tickets (827-1703.)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7
UJA 2006 Campaign kickoff, featuring Nobel Laureate and author Elie Wiesel. Tickets $18 (798-4696, ext. 227)

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Time for Lunch

Rivkah Blum (3) and David Silverstein (2) hand lunches to homebuilders of a Habitat for Humanity duplex in Nepean as Dina Blum looks on. Members of Ottawa Torah Center Chabad volunteered to make lunches for the volunteer workers.

Each half of the house will become the home of an area family, each of which has five children. As the RCMP are the main sponsors, the home is affectionately known as *Mountie House*.

"Our homes are in Nepean, and so is our synagogue. We are so thrilled to be able to help welcome in a small way two new families to our neighbourhood," says David's mother Sarah Silverstein. "And it's our way of helping to make the world a better place," adds Rivkah's mum Dina Blum.

Former United States President Jimmy Carter started Habitat for Humanity and it has expanded into an international organization. The group believes all families deserve to live in an affordable and adequate home and, by building homes for deserving families, they are helping to break the cycle of poverty. For more information about Habitat for Humanity in Ottawa visit *www.habitatncr.com*.

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